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Political Corporations and Tammany.

CHAPTER II.

A resolute, earnest man can do a great deal alone; but co-operative action has a power vastly beyond the increase of numbers. Fifty soldiers acting in concert will be more effective than five hundred acting without concert; ten thinkers agreeing together to disseminate a precise thing will produce a greater change in public opinion than a hundred men of equal capacity writing and speaking with no common aims on the same subject. This vast power of co-operative numbers is at the basis of all armies, all commercial association, all political parties, and all the moral and religious organizations of the world. When to this power are added the element of perpetuity, and the capacity of acting by a majority, so that the will of individuals is merged in the will of prevailing numbers, and death does not defeat the work or divide the councils, we have the mighty, enduring, ever vital and active organizations that have swayed the world. Such elements make monastic orders, churches of every sect, political aristocracies, stupendous stock companies that subjugate ancient empires, cover the ocean with ships and the land with railroads and manufactures. And without such elements, the vast Bible, mission, tract, and other humane associations, whose influence is felt in every quarter of the globe, would be impossible.

To these bodies, with the power of taking and holding property, and with undying life, we give the name of corporations. No individual or number of individuals can make one of them, without the consent and aid of the State. The laws of every country declare the subjects and conditions in reference to which one of these corporate bodies may be formed. The power of such bodies may be so abused, there is such peril in the presence of endless life and indefinite capacity for property and action, in the midst of short individual lives and means, that every State has to put clear limits to the objects, methods and dimensions of all kinds of corporations. An individual may be a marriage broker, a quack doctor, a grog-shop keeper, a procurer of political nominations and offices, a legislative lobbyist, the leader of a political ring, or a pot-house brawler; but no Government has ever yet been vile or foolish enough to permit a law under which corporations could be formed having for their avowed object to increase the numbers and influence of individuals devoting themselves to either of those pursuits. The proposal of a law for the creation of corporations, having for their object the propagation of groggeries, the procuring of political offices, the care of the funds, and increase of the power of legislative lobbyists, would shock the moral sense of our people. Such emotion would be highly creditable to them; but it is not creditable to them that they have allowed such results to be attained, indirectly, by a stupendous corporation, which, created in the name and in the general sphere of benevolence, has imbibed the lowest spirit of mercenary politics, and usurping the qualities and shape of a huge, voracious, insatiable political Leviathan, has left its sphere, and come growling and devouring into that of party politics. Before considering further what is to be done with the corporate monster, which has, in our system, the vices and power of the Jacobin Club and Jesuit College united, and which the people so fear and execrate, under the name of *Tammany Hall*, let us look a moment at some points of principle and policy.

This country is dotted all over with corporations relating to education, benevolence, charity and religion, as well as to most branches of reputable business, and their influence is immense and generally beneficent. We have, however, *only a single party corporation; and of this the sole business is the trade of politics; the end, public patronage and spoils, and the dividends, public offices, sinecure places, and shares in the pillage of the treasury of the people.* Its fame, however, is infamous all over the world, and its managers have been able to achieve the united renown of brigand chiefs, municipal robbers, and unexampled demagogues. There is no legal authority or precedent for such a corporation; and its very existence is not less a fraud than are its policy and its management. The laws of this State have never yet provided for party corporations. Here arises an interesting and important question. May not the good of corporate action be applied to politics, and its evils be at the same time avoided? I think such legislation is easy, and that it is one of the first duties of the present session. It seems to me a poor account of our political wisdom, that we have thus far allowed politics to suffer all the evils of corporate action, and have secured to political life none of its wholesome effects. There has been something both painful and ludicrous in the short-sighted simplicity with which the war of public indignation and wrath has been waged against the measures and the rascality, the present officers, the bribed hirelings and the deluded rascals of the great Tammany corporation, while no one appears to have seen that the real power was the political corporation itself, or that the only effectual blow must be one that should knock all the political life out of that old corporate body of benevolence into which such life had stolen. It seems not to have been considered that to strike down the present officers is not to kill a corporation, nor even to curtail its funds, or close its hall for future mischief. The danger is in the perpetual corporate life, the constant funds and the living self-propagating power and spirit of political mischief, after all living managers are hurled down or sent to prison. The bull in the ring plunging at the red rag, and not at him whose other hand bears a deadly sword; the hangers who should smash all the bails as they fall, but never attack the citadel from which they come, might be taken as fair illustrations of the measures proposed for abating the evil of this unparalleled corporation. The corporation itself is the source of the evils, and everything else—acts, agents, methods, corruption funds—are but the consequences. The nuisance itself is what needs to be abated. Now, I am far from advising that the Tammany charter be repealed. I am opposed to all acts of political vindictiveness or vindictiveness. Every party, when in power, and especially a party claiming high regard for the highest public opinion, must do as it would be done by, and only act in that wise and deliberate manner which is consistent with a regard for justice and the public welfare.

Besides, I am convinced that there is a useful field for enlarging the influence of political ideas, and disseminating political knowledge by the aid of corporations, which has not yet been occupied, and which we ought at once to improve. All parties and every class of political thinkers must be allowed equal opportunities of corporate organization and action in this field. Their counterbalancing influence will be the public safety. The satanic spirits that sustain Tammany must have as fair a field as the very saints of politics; but when there are no chances for spoils, and when the wholesome barriers I propose shall hedge in the corporate activities of traders in politics, it is more than possible that such spirits will find no attractions or profit in political corporations.

Let us now see what sort of political corporations we need and will be safe. A part of our political evils is the party bias and hate that prevent tens of thousands of our citizens from reading but more than one side of political questions. Honest poor men, willing to know the truth, have no means of reaching it. Only intense, mercenary, party journals reach them. There are many important political subjects—such as the effects of the Registry laws, compulsory attendance upon the schools, the sanitary laws, the evils of a low Judiciary, the bad effects of too frequent elections, the theory and effect of the license system, the advantages of a high standard of civil service, the abuses of City Government, and others too numerous to mention—upon which the people need and would be glad to receive candid political instruction. We have no organized means of imparting it, except political parties, which are not candid and only present one side; and we have no corporate agency for such purpose, but the Tammany Society, which has sunk far beneath the level of ordinary party morality. Single individuals cannot establish the means of any permanent political instruction, and we have no laws for the formation of corporations for the diffusion of political knowledge, and every one must admit such knowledge is most desirable. The nearest approach to such corporations are those found under the act authorizing corporations for charity and benevolence. There can be no question that the rule of parties is far too stringent, and that political education and thought are sadly neglected. There is among us too great power in mere numbers, and too little in political ideas. It is also very clear that the instructions I have mentioned as so desirable would give increased strength to the great party which most regards the highest standard of public duty, and would steadily undermine that party which pays most deference to the demands of ignorance, bigotry, and all the influences of vice and villiany. There are in our community men of wealth and public spirit who would make generous contributions of money, time and thought for the diffusion of sound political knowledge, if the work could be carried on by the aid of well-organized corporations. The Corn Law League, the anti-slavery societies, are striking examples on a larger scale of what might be done. Let us, then, learn from the abuses of an unlimited political corporation, and from all the phenomena of these strange times, how to restrain what is evil and enforce what is good, through corporate political action in the sphere of politics. It does not seem to me difficult to sketch the outlines of such a method. It seems clear that no such corporation should be allowed to make a trade of party nominations, and that no ambitious demagogue should see the aid of such a body to advance himself to an office, or to gain a fee by bartering the corporate influence to any other demagogue. Equally plain, I think it to be that no such corporation should be allowed to make itself a mere piece of party machinery, or to control great halls where only one side of a political question is heard, and only one class of political opinion is allowed admission. No less certain it is that the laws of the State should not be used to give vigor and endless life to bodies which are to use their power for the secret production and dissemination of a pestiferous partisan literature in the interests of its favorite political jobbers, and for the deception and control of the ignorant and bigoted in a city rabble. It is bad enough that private individuals must be allowed to do such things. These views suggest that it is not only an act of justice, but of public duty, that the powers and practices of Tammany should be greatly curtailed, and that all the provisions hereafter suggested should be applied to that and the other political corporations hereinafter provided for.

There should, in view of these considerations, be enacted at this session a law authorizing the foundation of corporations for the "Diffusion of Political Knowledge," which should contain the following essential provisions:

1. That any number of citizens of this State, not less than five nor exceeding fifty, may sign articles of association, and upon any three of them making oath that the same are for the purposes of this act, and with the intents of pursuing its objects as a corporation, and the intended place of such corporate business, any Judge of the Supreme Court, being satisfied that the same are in conformity to this act, shall indorse his approval, and order the same to be filed with the clerk of the county where such corporation is to be located; and the clerk of such county shall file the same, and certify a copy to be filed with the Secretary of State. Thereafter such persons, being organized, shall be a political corporation, and have the general powers of corporations.

2. The objects of such corporation shall be the "Diffusion of Political Knowledge," and the promotion of the discharge of the duties of citizens.

3. A vote of three-fourths of the corporators may, at a regular meeting, elect new members, who shall be corporators on signing the list of corporators.

4. Such corporators shall keep full records of their proceedings, and the same shall be open at all times to the examination of the Governor, the Attorney-General and the State Senators respectively.

5. The officers of such a corporation shall be a President, two Vice-Presidents, a Treasurer, Secretary and an Executive Committee, to be elected by the corporators, who alone can vote on any question. The several persons so elected shall be called corporate officers, and a list of them and of the names of all corporators and of all political missionaries and agents employed by the corporation shall be annually filed by the Secretary, under his oath, in the office of said county clerk, and the same shall be open at proper times to public inspection.

6. No such corporate officer shall accept any nomination for a public office or hold any such public office while such corporate officer.

7. Such corporation may publish and distribute books, pamphlets and papers on political subjects, and may employ and pay political missionaries for their distribution, and to influence citizens to the discharge of their political duties.

8. Neither such corporations, nor any of its officers, shall take any part in making any political nominations, nor shall any meeting for such purpose be held in any place, hall or room belonging to or under the control of such corporation. Nor shall any meeting held in any such place, hall or room, for any political purpose, (to which any persons but such corporators whose names are so filed are admitted,) unless such meeting is freely open to the public, irrespective of party, creed or race.

9. No such corporation shall own or hold real estate beyond the value of $250,000, nor beyond the reasonable amount required for the discharge of the legitimate purposes of such corporation, as herein defined, nor shall any such corporation own personal property, (aside from current subscriptions,) from devisees or other sources, of which the annual income shall exceed $25,000.

10. Every such corporation shall cause three copies of every book, pamphlet and paper which it shall aid in circulating to be promptly filed in the State Library, and shall also file annually with the Secretary of State a report, under the oath of its Treasurer, of all money received and paid out, and for what purpose, and a statement, under the oath of its Secretary, of all publications circulated during the past year.

11. The corporation known as the Tammany Society, (correctly specifying its true name,) in the City of New-York, is hereby declared to be a corporation under this act, and such Society and its officers are declared to be subject to all the conditions, limitations, duties and disqualifications herein specified, as effectually as if the said Society had been formed as a corporation under this act. And said Society shall hereafter be limited to the objects, and governed and conducted as a corporation hereunder.

12. There should be proper penalties to enforce these provisions, and the right of suit for them should be given to any citizen.

I am satisfied that corporations of great public usefulness would be formed under such a law, and that large funds would be used to elevate the political education of the people. Provisions like the foregoing would prevent such bodies being secretly debased to private and mercenary ends under the name of party and the pretense of the public good. The people would always know what they did, what books and other writings they circulated, and who were the persons thus engaged. The secret deception and private pillage of Tammany Hall would be impossible. The persons allowed to be employed as political missionaries would be well known, as would all the books and papers they should circulate. I believe they would be a great gain upon the vile and secret runners and repeaters which Tammany has employed, and which every secret and inscrutable political corporation would employ. I am sure we have public-spirited men of fortune who would be glad to give of their abundance to disseminate among the honest poor brief, well-written tracts upon the interests and duties of good citizens. These corporations would be agencies of public enlightenment, and not organizations to enable ignorance and rowdyism to rule under the guidance of priests and demagogues. For men of public spirit and unselfish aims, they would have great attraction, but political jobbers and rowdy rascals would find them neither interesting nor profitable. If the leaders of the political majority in the City really wish to weaken the power of the vile, and to increase the influence of the worthy in the City, they can show it by consenting that the great corporation of political iniquity be reduced to the safe proportions and methods under which we have seen that honest men can organize for honest political influence. Those who hope to see that mighty power revived, under their own control, and all its perverted franchises again exerted, without a corporate rival for the selfish interests of party, will of course oppose all these suggestions. They know that one night devoted to the cunning work of resignations and elections will give it an official force personally unimpeachable; and their opposition to the views herein expressed will best show how highly they prize its unrestrained powers for the purposes of selfish and personal politics.

They will struggle to make that old haunt once more a place where rowdy rabbles shall listen to low party appeals; where ignorance, bigotry, grog-shop keepers and gamblers (the tools of the Rings and the wholesale traders in public corruption) can be taught the lowest lessons of partisanship, and drilled to the most detestable duties of hirelings. That vast hall stands ready to receive its accustomed barbarians. There are among its familiar officials those expert in all the crafts of party scoundrelism; large funds are ready for the uses of political corruption; the same intrigues and secrecy which of old made its methods effective, may be repeated; its corporate life and organized activity endure to overpower and to outlive all individual efforts. There are traitors in the City minority still anxious to be bought, and even this fiery ordeal of public wrath will not strike down all the great public robbers of the City majority who are anxious to buy such traitors.

There are on the other hand, among the leaders of the City majority honorable men, who want no such pretensions and facilities for secret and mercenary partisan intrigue as such an unrestrained corporation affords. They knew that the same means that destroyed their own influence in Tammany, and gave control to knaves, would quickly accomplish the same iniquity again. They know that no virtue in that corporation, no ability in themselves, nothing short of a high moral influence from without, aroused by the most gen-ral alarm of state political exigencies, and only aided in their own party when that new power seemed to lead on to victory, could have given the better men of the City majority another chance to drive the Tammany Pegasus even for a space. As the rascality and ignorance of the majority will follow the worst of its leaders, the people may well look to the fate of Tammany as a foretaste of the future politics of the City majority. We shall soon see whether the leadership of that majority is to be guided in the spirit of its lowest or of its highest elements; whether the accepted leaders of this crisis will call their party up to the level of the public well-being, or will prefer to go down themselves into the quagmires after party majorities.

If Tammany is allowed to be reared as the sole political corporation, with no such limits to its action as I have suggested, or is the public virtue of the country is not given equal means of corporate action, such folly and blindness will be exhibited as will be sad to contemplate and long lamented. One act of legislative foresight and duty now may send a foul spirit to the shade, and call to life many angels of light.

OUR STATE INSTITUTIONS---XXI.

Lockport.

LOCKPORT, Saturday, Jan. 20, 1872.

This city is essentially a child of the Erie Canal. As the train from Niagara Falls slackens its speed before crossing the canal bridge on approaching the Lockport station, the eye is at once attracted by a sort of giant's staircase in the Erie Canal of even more imposing dimensions than the celebrated Giant's Staircase in the Doge's Palace at Venice. Immediately the exclamation involuntarily escapes one: "Ah! Lockport! I see." It is at this point that, by an extensive system of locktage, the heavily-laden barges are enabled to ascend and descend the low range of hills down which the canal takes its course, and on the extreme edge of one of which stands the active little city of Lockport, looking over one of the most extensive level plains in the State of New-York. It was concerning the system of locktage at Lockport that that brilliant luminary of the Ring—Mr. NATHANIEL SANDS—succeeded, two years ago, in making such an ass of himself before the State Senatorial Committee on Canals, when he appeared as Secretary of the Commercial Union. The question of the scarcity of water above the Lockport level happened at the moment to be the immediate subject of investigation. What an opportunity for NATHANIEL to distinguish himself! In answer to a question put to him he made reply that it was easy enough to keep plenty of water on that level; for if they could lock water down, he could not see why they could not lock *water up from below*, and so have all the water they wanted. Poor SANDS! The Committee would, doubtless, have so far forgotten their Senatorial dignity as to laugh aloud at any one else propounding such a topsy-turvey theory. But, then, SANDS, you know—well, he is and always will be SANDS. It is, perhaps, needless to say that the Committee took no action whatever on Mr. NATHANIEL SANDS' extraordinary suggestion, but turned their attention to the consideration of the views of more sensible and practical men on this much-vexed question.

This problem of locks and water levels, however, involving, as it does, the high cost and the prevention of the increase of transportation, is still unsolved, and the shippers of Buffalo, Syracuse, and other cities on the canal, are unsparing in their anathemas, especially against the locks. They complain of the charges the boatmen make for transporting lumber, grain, &c., to New-York, but admit that they are barely sufficient to allow the boatmen to live. They demand that the locks shall be increased at least one-third in length, so as to permit the passage of boats large enough to warrant the expenditure of building them as propellers. They claim that these larger boats would require no more hands to manage them than the smaller boats, and that the lessening of the duration of the voyage to New-York, and the extra remuneration from the extra cargo, would enable the boatmen to make much more money at rates which shippers would consider perfectly fair. Of course, this theory is indirectly an assertion that the want of profit on shipping grain and lumber to New-York is simply owing to high transportation charges and not to competition and underselling. Should the locks be enlarged and transportation be increased, there is nothing to prevent an equivalent fall in prices in the New-York grain market, unless it should turn out that the new system would place the Buffalo shippers in a position to ship grain with a profit at the same or lower prices than shippers elsewhere are now charging, and below which they cannot afford to go.

This may possibly be the case. But it would not be cheering to find out that it was not, after having gone to an enormous expense in enlarging the locks all along the canal. It might put the lake shippers in a worse position than ever by adding an increased State canal toll to their present burdens. They would then be like the dog in Æsop's fables, who dropped his piece of meat in the water while snatching at its reflection. Still, this question of the locks will have to be seriously discussed, not only in the interest of the shippers and boatmen, but also in the interest of consumers. The capacity of the canal to carry the fast increasing supplies is one of the issues raised; and, whether that capacity admits of development by the enlarging of the locks. There are some who avow that it is not; but the general opinion seems to be overwhelmingly on the other side. This is to the public the most important phase of the whole question. Mr. G. S. HAZARD, the well-known grain shipper of Buffalo, tells me that the Erie Canal has capacity of, prism sufficient to float twenty million tons to tide water during the time the canal is open, but that the disproportioned locks curtail the tonnage of the canal to three million of tons when going east. He says, that with an enlargement of the locks to a size commensurate with the prism of the canal, the tonnage of the boats could be increased from two hundred and fifty to six hundred tons. Then the price of freight, in consequence of the enlarged boat and the increase of cargo, would be reduced fifty per cent; and the speed of the boat would, by the use of steam, be double that now attained by the system of towing by horse power. This arrangement would reduce the cost of transportation of grain from Buffalo to New-York at least five cents a bushel. Buffalo last year received nearly seventy million bushels of grain and flour. The enlarged locks and new boats, if really practicable, would have saved Buffalo $3,500,000 in that one year alone; a goodly sum toward the expense of enlarging the locks.

There are five double locks, ten in all, at Lockport, each lock being 110 feet long by 20 feet wide. They have a uniform rise of a little over 12 feet, making the total rise about 64 feet. The two head locks have 20 feet, the four lower tiers 18 feet of water. The time occupied in the passage of the boats from one lock to another varies according to their construction and running. Going east a boat will pass through all the locks in from fifteen to twenty-five minutes; going west more time is occupied, as the boats have to be pulled through by horse-power on a rising iron-path, instead of being forced through by the subsiding water, as is the case in going east. The boats have a tonnage of 200 to 240 tons, and going east generally carry about 7,500 bushels of grain, or from 140,000 to 170,000 feet of lumber. The rafts are composed of what are technically called cribs. There are generally six cribs, or about 70,000 feet (board measure) of lumber to a raft. The monthly lockages of boats going east and west, and rafts of lumber going east, average about 3,000. For the last season the figures are:

May	2,322
June	2,587
July	3,109
September	3,552
October	3,312
November (unusually heavy)	3,210
Total	18,092

There are no lock fees whatever, the State Government including all charges in the State toll of two cents per mile on the boat. Still there are what amount to charges, and it is against these demands that the boatmen call out so loudly. The lock officials will get a boat through in fifteen minutes or be half an hour about it, according to the receipt or refusal of a quarter of a dollar from the Captain of the boat. Considering the number of locks on the canal between Buffalo and Albany these black-mailings become quite a serious tax, and, when refused, involve a still more serious loss—the loss of time.

The great manufacturing feature of Lockport is the Holly Water-works Company. This system of supplying cities with water has several peculiar features about it, and appears to me to be very far superior to any other system in vogue. As far as I can judge, it seems to avoid every short-coming that water consumers have hitherto suffered from. Its main characteristics are the abolition of reservoirs and fire-engines, the sustention of a regular supply of water, an unerring uniformity of pressure, and a vastly increased protection against fire.

Mr. HOLLY's plan is to place one or more, according to the amount of water to be supplied, of his powerful Elliptical Rotary Pumps within a frost-proof and fire-proof building, immediately at the source of supply, no matter how far away it may be from the city to be supplied. This effectually does away with reservoirs. He is now constructing works for Atlanta, Ga.; but the pumps are four miles from the city. He tells me that he could easily force water from Lockport to Buffalo; that it would only depend on the size of the pipes. The great loss of velocity in water occurs through the friction of the water against the pipe. The larger the pipes, of course, the less the friction. The rotary pump, too, is constantly revolving in one direction and keeps up an even and ceaseless pressure in the pipes. Not so the suction pump, which must of necessity force the water into the pipes in shoots. This again impairs the velocity. But the most interesting part of the system is that part of it which regulates the supply to the demand, and at the same time entirely does away with the necessity of fire-engines. The rotary pump is constructed of a sufficient power to force twice the ordinary supply of water through the pipes, if needs be; and the pump is governed in its action by a very ingenious piece of machinery—the hydrostatic water supply regulator—which regulates the supply of water to a varying amount on the same principle that a steam governor regulates the supply of steam to an invarying amount. A sudden and rapid increase in the consumption of water, as, for instance, in case of fire, is instantly communicated to the governor, as surely as the nerves momentarily communicate the event of injury to the bodily extremities to the brain.

Mr. HOLLY places a double fire-hydrant to every block, the hose throwing a stream 100 feet high. The moment the hose is attached and the stream is turned on, the governor feels it and instantly calls on the engine to make ten more revolutions per minute, so as to keep up the regular supply. The engine obeys automatically. Should another fire occur at the same time the provident governor calls for another ten revolutions; and so on for half a dozen fires blazing at once in different parts of the city. But look at the loss of time, and thereby the probable destruction of property and life, which this arrangement saves! Most large warehouses have their own hose. In the event of fire, the hose has only to be attached, and the fire is out before the fire-engine has got well started on its way to the scene of conflagration. The hydrants are provided with a simple apparatus which drains all the water from them, so that they shall not freeze. Here is a basketful of advantages at once—putting aside the great question of protection from fire! No outlay for engines, engine-houses, and horses; fewer firemen to be paid; no chance of water giving out, or decreasing in volume in the extinguishing of large fires; and no chance of an accident to a fire-engine, which is of necessity very lightly built, from something giving way, or the running against an omnibus or the lamp-post in turning a corner. I cannot but think that Chicago would still be standing had she been furnished with the Holly system of water-works. I understand that the City Fathers of Chicago did once discuss the propriety and advisability of adopting it; but they unwisely resolved to be content with what they had, though fully recognizing the superiority of the Holly system. The Chicago works cost many millions, and entail a working expenditure of $300,000 a year. Mr. HOLLY says he will construct works which shall render another Chicago fire impossible for $1,000,000, and of which the working expenses shall be only $50,000 a year.

Mr. HOLLY's system is being adopted in all parts of the Union. He has erected and is now erecting works at Lockport, Auburn, Ogdensburg, Batavia, Binghamton, Schenectady, Saratoga, Syracuse and Buffalo, in New-York State; at Minneapolis, Minn.; Columbus, Ind.; Des Moines, Iowa; Dayton, Ohio; Covington, Ky.; Indianapolis, Ind.; Jackson, Mich.; Denver, Col.; Atlanta, Ga.; Memphis, Tenn.; Norwalk, Conn., and seventeen other large cities. The works at Indianapolis have a capacity to supply six million gallons a day, and can throw ten or fifteen fire streams to the height of one hundred feet from hydrants in any part of the city. The works now building for Atlanta are to be located at Peach Tree Creek—the source of supply, and the water is to be forced, at the rate of three million gallons per day, through a main pipe four miles long, to the elevation of 475 feet, the elevation of Atlanta above Peach Tree Creek. Six fire streams are to be thrown from the hydrants to a height of eighty feet. The City of Buffalo adopted the Holly system after a careful and thorough investigation of its merits, as an auxiliary to their old water-works, and for the supply of that portion of the city above the level of the reservoir. The Holly Company agreed in their contract that, if the city would lay an independent main pipe through Main-street, a distance of over two miles, their machinery should throw six fire streams to a height of 100 feet from any point on the line. The supply for the City of Memphis is to be 5,000,000 gallons per day for domestic use and ten fire streams 100 feet high. The Company have lately made proposals to construct water-works for the City of New-Orleans. These will be on a larger scale than any works they have yet built. The greatest supply as yet furnished by their works to a single city is 900,000 gallons an hour; at New-Orleans they propose to furnish 420,000 gallons an hour—nearly 10,000,000 gallons a day. The works of the Holly Company are most extensive. They stand on the edge of the Erie Canal, immediately below the locks, and consist of the main building of four floors, comprising three machine-shops and a pattern-shop, all 380 feet by 65 feet; a foundry, 110 by 60 feet; an erecting-shop, 100 by 60 feet; two wood-working shops, 60 by 50 feet; a boiler-shop, 70 feet square; two blacksmith-shops, 30 by 40 feet; and a wing of three floors, 80 by 40 feet, for offices, shipping, packing, &c. The Company begin the year with about three times as many contracts on hand as they had on Jan. 1, 1871. By the way, I am told that the insurance companies actually make a reduction on fire premiums in cities where these Holly Water-works are in use.

In close proximity to the Holly Water-works, is JAMES RICHMOND's factory for the making of improved mill machinery. The machines most interesting and most valuable to the miller are the Empire Bran-duster and the Grain Cleaner and Separator. The Bran-duster is a large horizontal cylinder, rather larger at one end than at the other, and made of wire cloth, into which the bran is fed. A series of brushes, revolving rapidly in contact with the inner surface of the cylinder, keep the bran constantly working against the wire cloth, and force the flour which is in the bran through the meshes, the bran passing gradually out at the wider end of the cylinder. The saving of flour by one of these machines varies from five to ten per cent—no inconsiderable item in a large mill. The Grain Separator consists of a double set of cast-steel sieves, ten in number, over which the grain passes, one after another. The wheat is fed into the machine through a suction-spout, where it is met by a strong upward current of air, regulated by a separate valve, which removes the screenings, light oats, chaff, &c., the dust and chaff being drawn into a fan and blown out of the machine, the screenings passing through a drop-spout. The wheat then passes on to a coarse sieve which removes bits of stick and straw and anything larger than a kernel of grain. Another set of sieves separates the oats from the wheat, and again another separates the cockle and other small seeds. From the sieves the wheat is carried to another sucker-spout, where, by means of a very strong current of air, all the light kernels are blown out. Thus the farmer can send his wheat to market in first rate condition and of uniform quality, and the miller who buys his wheat in the rough, can, by using this machine, be sure of the uniform quality of his flour.

But there is one point in connection with Mr. RICHMOND's factory which to me was quite novel. He has a splendid water-power by using the waste waters of the canal, above the locks, the same as the Holly Water-works. The water enters a tunnel immediately above the upper tier of locks, and, after turning the heavy water-wheel of Mr. HOLLY's and Mr. RICHMOND's factories, returns into the canal below the lowest tier of locks. Mr. RICHMOND needs but a small portion of this water-power, and distributes the remainder, by means of endless wire cables on telegraph poles, to neighboring factories and mills. A very simple arrangement of rope cables, any number of endless wire cables to run to central points in the city, and thence in all directions. In this way the printing presses of the *Journal*, the *Times*, and the *Union* are run by deputy, at a cost of so much per hundred feet per annum. Mr. RICHMOND also furnishes power to a whip factory, a cabinet-shop, a glass factory, 2,500 feet away, a shirt factory 2,000 feet in the opposite direction, a foundry, and a machine-shop. He has some valuable patents in connection with this distribution of power, and has lately fitted up a series of distributing wires at Fulton, in Oswego County.

About half a mile from the locks, on either side of the canal, lie the Lockport quarries, owned by B. & I. CARPENTER. The stone is a gray limestone, very hard and yet easily worked, and, therefore, unusually suitable for building. The stone lies immediately beneath the surface, and extends on the north side for a quarter of a mile to a distance varying from 200 to 600 feet from the canal bank; on the south side of the canal the quarry is about half a mile long, with an almost uniform width of 200 feet. Last year about 30,000 tons of stone were blasted from the quarries; one blast alone setting out 31,050 cubic feet or 3,640 tons of stone. From the quarries the stone is carried by heavy traveling cranes and trucks to the saw-mills. The two mills together can saw one hundred tons of stone at a time. The blocks of stone are sawn into pieces so as to run three to a ton. They vary in weight from five to twenty tons; though not long since a block was cut up which weighed twenty-nine tons and was 14 by 11 feet, and 2 feet 8 inches in thickness. The stone is shipped in all directions. Last year four thousand tons of plain and carved stone were sent over the Erie Canal to New-York, and large quantities were sold to the local builders. Among many other large contracts, Mr. CARPENTER supplied the stone for the Manhattan Market and the Women's Hospital on Fiftieth-street, in New-York, and for the lake wall of Fort Niagara. He is at present furnishing the stone, plain, cut and carved, for the new building which, when completed, is to contain the splendid library which Mr. LENNOX so munificently presented to the City of New-York about a year ago. The Chicago Court-house, which was destroyed in the earlier hours of the great fire, was built of stone taken from Mr. CARPENTER's quarries. Below the bed of the lime-stone is a bed of water lime-stone, and on the top there is much very fine madropore. I saw some specimens of the madropore in Mr. CARPENTER's office which were worthy of a place in a museum.

One of the most important features, in a business point of view, of Lockport manufactures is the patent medicine known as the Gargling Oil. The word naturally leads one to suppose that it is a remedy for affections of the throat. But it is not. A misguided farmer out West, who was suffering from a severe cold and sore throat, was once attracted by the words Gargling Oil on the labels of a multitude of bottles in the window of the druggist of his market town. He jumped out of his box-wagon, bought a pint bottle, and, on his arrival at home, proceeded to gargle his throat. To use the technical brevity of the newspaper paragraph of the period, "He didn't eat much for some weeks after," though his wife, in her anxiety to save the bedroom carpet, on which he had spilled a lot of the nauseous stuff, forgot her sprained hand, and, in rubbing the carpet to get out the oil, rubbed the stuff into her hand and so cured it. The Gargling Oil is an embrocation compounded of essential oils, gums, some chemicals not to be named, and a large proportion of turpentine. No wonder our Western farmer did not find it palatable. The virtues of the compound were discovered by Dr. MERCHANT, a graduated medical practitioner, in 1833, and he soon after began its manufacture in Lockport on a very limited scale. Though a patent medicine, it is not a quack medicine, unless a vast number of people annually make fools of themselves or imagine they have certain ills which human flesh is heir to and have them not. The modest business which Dr. MERCHANT started forty years ago is now a large and flourishing stock company, with one of the finest stone buildings in Lockport. Mr. HODGE, the manager and principal stockholder, tells me that they put up 6,000 bottles of the oil daily, in sizes varying from a quarter of a pint to a pint. The embrocation is largely used for horses as well as for human beings, and to judge from the Company's enormous advertising list, is sold in every nook and corner of the United States.

But Mr. HODGE's creed is not confined to a religious and pecuniary faith in Gargling Oil. He also believes in doing something to advance the City of Lockport. He has just erected a splendid block of buildings adjoining his factory, which will really come for a benefit on his fellow-townsmen. The façade is of grey limestone, from the Onondaga quarries, and the total cost of the building will be about $150,000. The ground floor will be divided into two portions, one-half being devoted to eight shops, and the other half to a post-office, telegraph office, &c., an arcade dividing them. The upper part of the building is to be the Lockport Opera-house, and will have accommodations for two thousand spectators. With the exception of some of the internal fittings, every thing is completed, and the youth and beauty of Lockport are looking anxiously forward to the opening day. A. P.

THE TICHBORNE CASE.

Resumption of the Proceedings—The Argument for the Defense.

From the Spectator, Jan. 13.

The Tichborne case reopened on Monday with the speech of the Attorney-General, Sir J. D. COLERIDGE, for the defense, which has been continued throughout the week, and had reached, up to last night, even in the somewhat compressed narrative of the *Times*, the gigantic length of sixty-six feet of print—eleven fathoms. It has been, however, a very able speech, which has quite redeemed Sir J. D. COLERIDGE's reputation at the Bar, somewhat endangered, as it was, by his ineffective cross-examination of the claimant, though he, perhaps, indulges too much in the figure of speech so important in dealing with juries—repetition—considering that the jury in this case has shown at least as much intuition and judgment as the Bar, and a good deal more than the Bench. Sir J. D. COLERIDGE's line has been to show that the real ROGER CHARLES TICHBORNE, though a young man with some failings and a certain propensity to drink, was a thorough gentleman at heart, utterly incapable of leading the life of a 'common Australian thief;' that his own instructions to Mr. SLATER-PEN for his will showed a complete knowledge of the family property and affairs before leaving England, of which the claimant has shown no simulation; that he was a man of moderately intellectual interests and tastes—interested, for instance, in Molière—understanding his mother's weaknesses, and not indisposed to 'keep a certain control over her vagaries. Moreover, the real ROGER TICHBORNE was profoundly attached to his cousin, Miss DOUGHTY (now Mrs. RADCLIFFE,) whom he hoped to marry on his return, having vowed to build a church to the Virgin if he did so within three years; was not once near TICHBORNE at the time assigned by the claimant to the asserted seduction, and directed his sealed instructions with Mr. GOSSON as a date long anterior to that assigned by the claimant to this fictitious outrage. On the other hand, the Attorney-General has labored to show that the claimant, while entirely ignorant of the most elementary facts relating to the Tichborne property and family, while sending a message to a grandfather who had long been dead, and begging for money in Australia, while he had a large balance at GLYN's, has also shown a curiously minute knowledge of facts in connection with the Orton family of which Roger TICHBORNE could have been ignorant, having mentioned, for instance, to his Australian attorney the name of a ship—the *Jessie Miller*—in which ORTON went out to Australia long before TICHBORNE left England, and declared that he was for thirteen days a private soldier, instead of having been an officer in the Carabineers for three years. In fact, Sir J. D. COLERIDGE proposes to show, by a vast cumulation of evidence, that the claimant knew hardly anything that ROGER TICHBORNE must have known—especially how to spell his own name, and in what county Tichborne Park was situated—but was a great deal that ROGER TICHBORNE could not have known—and has sworn to some "three thousand" falsehoods, invented by himself to supply the deficiencies of his Tichborne knowledge. The speech has produced a profound impression—but when will it end? There is a point beyond which new arguments do not tend to strengthen belief.

The Livingstone Expedition.

The London *Times* says: "One of the members of the expedition now being organized by the Geographical Society for the relief of Dr. LIVINGSTONE will be a son of the traveler himself, Mr. W. OSWELL LIVINGSTONE, who was born twenty years ago in the neighborhood of Lake Nyasa, as will be recollected by readers of LIVINGSTONE's earlier adventures. The leader appointed is Lieut. LESWELLYN DAWSON, of the Royal Navy, who distinguished himself in the difficult operation of the survey of the gorges and rapids of the Upper Yang-tse-Kiang in 1868, under Admiral Sir H. KEPPEL, and who has since done similar service in the River Plate. He will be supported by another officer, and an artisan and interpreter, to be engaged at Zanzibar, will complete the European portion of the party. An armed native escort of fifty picked men, besides porters, will be prepared in advance by Dr. KIRK, at Zanzibar. The party will leave England about the 20 of February, in the *Algoa*, a steamer chartered by Messrs. J. WISEMAN & Co. for the voyage to Zanzibar via the Suez Canal. The objects of the expedition are strictly to ascertain the whereabouts of Dr. LIVINGSTONE, who when last heard of was at Manakoso, on the shores of the rugged great lake of Marpone, west of Tanganyika; to relieve him and bring him home, if living, or recover the papers containing the records of his discoveries if dead. It is announced that the subscriptions to defray the expenses of this promising expedition still fall short of the amount required, which, we are informed, is about $5,000."

NEW PUBLICATIONS.

A Russian Poem.

The literature of Russia is little known beyond the borders of that vast Empire, and that knowledge is chiefly confined to Germany. There is not, it is true, a great deal to be known, for Russia has no literary history like that of England or France, reaching far back through centuries, and her modern development has been far more material than that even of America. The Czars have always looked with suspicion upon men of letters, and have had few rewards for scholarship. The military career has offered almost the only path to distinction under their rule, and every other form of ambition has been held in check. This was true, at least, until the accession of the present Czar to power, under whose more enlightened and milder sway the arts of peace are beginning to assume greater importance throughout the Empire.

Brief as is the literary history of Russia, almost every chapter records a tragedy. Two of her greatest poets died a violent death. PUSCHKIN, at the age of thirty-seven, fell in a duel arising from an intrigue, soon after his return from banishment, in 1847. Four years later, LERMONTOFF, at the age of thirty, was killed in a duel while in banishment in the Caucasus. In 1842 KOLZOFF, a "folks poet" in the noblest sense, died in abject misery, occasioned by family persecutions and domestic trials. To record the annoyances suffered by men of letters at the hands of ignorant and suspicious Government officials, the number of times they were fined, imprisoned or banished, would necessitate the writing of a large volume.

Yet, with all these drawbacks, the literature of Russia has attained an importance which entitles it to the consideration of foreign nations. This is especially true of its poetic literature. The chief barrier to its study is the extreme difficulty of the language. Years of close application are necessary to give a foreigner that nice familiarity with its genius as well as its forms which is essential to the intelligent study of its literature. Few men, outside of German Universities, possess the time or the patience for labor so great where the reward is comparatively small. Among Englishmen Mr. W. R. S. RALSTON, of the British Museum, the author of an admirable translation of the fables of KRILOF, has given great attention to the language and literature of Russia; and our own BAYARD TAYLOR,—the only man who has ever translated *Faust* into English, and whose rare faculty for discerning the spirit of a foreign language, as well as his facility in mastering the details of its structure, place him in the very front rank of translators,—has, we understand, devoted much time (probably by way of recreation from his severe Goethean labors) to the same study. We trust to see, as the fruit of his researches, a volume which shall give Americans as true an insight into the intellectual life of Russia as his *Faust* has given into that of Germany.

This important service has been ably performed for German readers by FRIEDRICH BODENSTEDT, the translator of several Russian works. We have now before us two neat little volumes containing his translation of the poetical works of MICHAEL LERMONTOFF, whose tragic death, in the prime of his years, was mentioned near the beginning of this article. This gifted man has been called the "Byron" of Russia. The resemblance of the two poets is certainly striking. Each led a passionate and restless life; each was cursed with a misanthropic temperament, and was at constant war with his fellows; each loved liberty and hated oppression; and each was gifted with the fiery tone of poetry, which uttered glowing thoughts in words that burn. Both poets felt the same strong attraction to the East, and their finest poetry found its inspiration there. Both were also distinguished by their love of natural scenery, as well as by their wonderful power of poetic description, which enabled them to suggest a landscape with a single line and form a picture for the imagination with all the reality and vividness of a painting.

Like BYRON, LERMONTOFF was of noble family. At an early age he entered the army, but his temper unfitted him for a military career. Reckless by nature, and impatient of restraint, he was constantly in trouble and disgrace, and at length gave such offense to his superiors by an ode on the death of PUSCHKIN that he was banished to the Caucasus, where most of his poems were written, and where his life was sacrificed in a duel. The manner of his death was highly characteristic of the man. Dreading lest he might be crippled for life, he insisted upon taking his position on the very edge of a lofty precipice over which he would fall to certain death should he receive a severe wound. It is singular that he should have described just such a duel in a novel—for he was a master of prose as well as of poetic fiction.

Of his longer poems the one that has most forcibly excited our admiration, in BODENSTEDT'S German version, is "The Circassian Boy." Fully aware of the impossibility of doing complete justice to a poet by translation, especially translation at second hand, we venture to give our readers an outline of the poetic narrative, with a few versified passages from the German version, which we have been assured by a thorough master of both languages presents a very accurate reflection of the original. It is proper to state that some of the following passages were printed several years ago, in a weekly paper of limited circulation, for which the writer of this article was then an occasional contributor. The recent revival of popular interest in everything connected with Russia and her people, will justify the resurrection of these passages from the obscurity to which they were then consigned.

The story is very simple. A Circassian lad, stolen by a Russian soldier from his parents, is adopted by monks and brought up in all the rigor of cloister life. At length they determine that he shall become a monk; but, smitten with inborn love of freedom, secretly nursed through all the years of his captivity, he escapes and attempts to make his way back to his native land. Ignorant of the way, he loses himself in the forest, and wanders back to the vicinity of the cloister, where he is discovered lying exhausted on the ground, and is brought back in a dying condition by the monks. Perceiving that he is about to die, the old gray-bearded Superior offers him the consolations of religion, when, roused to sudden strength, he tells the brotherhood the sad story of his wanderings. This done, he falls back and dies. Thus simple in its elements, the poem yet possesses a deep tragic interest. The young hero is nameless. He is simply a captive boy, in whose heart the sacred fire of freedom, love, and heroism, long smothered but never quenched, suddenly breaks out with fierce intensity, and consumes his life.

The poem opens with an allusion to a ruined cloister, presumably the very one in which the captive boy was immured:

"A cloister stood, not long ago,
Where Kura and Aragwa flow;
Together by their seared rude
As sisters hearts to heart embrace.
The wanderer, idly pausing there,
Still marks the ruins, grown and bare,—
The shattered columns of the door,
The arches rent, the crumbling towers.
But in yon chapel nevermore
Their fragrant cloud the censers pour,
Nor evermore, at lonely hours,
Are masses heard, or solemn chants.
One ghostly form the ruin haunts,
An old, dumb man, of feeble breath,
Forgotten both by men and death;
He clears the moss from graven stones,
That moulder over mouldering bones,
And tell of vanished power and fame,
And how a weary monarch came,
Forsaking courtly pomp and throne,
To dwell in Russia with his own."

The site of this cloister, at the confluence of the rivers Kura and Aragwa, was near the town of Tiflis, through whose streets—at some period of time left poetically indefinite—a soldier strode along, leading a capture boy, about five Summers old:

"A chieftain's child,
Like mountain spirit, shy and wild;
With all his father's heart and pride;
When questioned, he was proudly still!
And offered food aside would wave,
And so drooped sensibly toward the grave."

Finding his captive thus unmanageable, the soldier left him in the street to die—this is at least suggested by the context; but an old monk, taking compassion on the lad, gives him shelter in the cloister, and calls him back to life.

"But then
The sprightliness of youth had flown;
Thoughtful and silent as had grown;
He shunned the companionship of men,
Never smiled, and scarcely spoke again;
Would oft gaze eastward, with deep sighs;
Hot sorrows would o'erflow his eyes
When thoughts of home and kindred woke;
And though he grew more calm with time,
And learned the speech his captor's spoke,
He ne'er forgot his native clime."

Thus the years passed, until the monks, having baptised their young captive, though unable to convert him, attempted to force upon him cloister vows. Watching his opportunity, he fled, one tempestuous night, while the frightened brothers were stretched prone on the ground before the altar. For three days he was diligently sought, and at the close of the third day he was found and brought back to the cloister. Seeing that the hand of death was upon him, the Superior leaned over his bedside to whisper a last prayer for the departing soul; but with a sudden energy the captive raised himself from his pillow, and in impassioned strain, poured forth the long pent sorrows of his heart. After thanking the old man for his solicitude and care, he confessed that one passion only has filled his heart through all the years of his captivity—to be free and at home with his kindred:

"In dreams, in watches of the night
It urged me forth to noble flight,
To deserts, where the mountains wear
Will cloud and snowy raiment, and where
Men live as free as eagles fly!

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Alas! that joy is past my power,
My dream, even as it came, has died;
I languish toward an alien grave,
An orphan stranger,—and a slave.

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The grave I fear not; still and deep,
Those fiery passions sinks to sleep,
I shrink, so young, to close my eyes.
In dreamless sleep on earth and skies,
So young, so young! Hast thou no'er known
The joyous dreams of youth, O sage!
Hast not thy heart, ere withering age
Chilled all its fibres into stone,
Burned hot with love, beat wild with hate?

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What though in weakness of old age,
With failing eyes, and whitened hair,
The world, grown hard for thee to bear,
Thou dost renounce with forced disdain?
Ah, Greybeard, thou hast had thy share,
Hast known what youthful years can give;
Disclosing and treasuring, yet,
Thou still hast something to regret;—
Thou hast lived, would that I might live!"

Then follows a vivid description of what he had seen during his brief enjoyment of liberty:

"And what I saw, in my short dream
Of freedom?—warlike woods, and plains
Rich with the wealth of Summer rains;
Unfettered waterfall and stream;
Fair hills, with groves luxuriant plumed,
That shook and gleamed with every gust;
Grim rocks, that darkly heavenward loomed,
Unchecked with crests their rugged crust;
Between the chafing torrent foamed;

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And mountains, altars of the world,
The mists about their summit curled,
Sun-kindled at the break of day;
And bands of clouds, like pilgrims gray,
Slow wandering toward the sacred East;
And distant, shimmering through the mist,
In his eternal robe of snow,
I saw the old Caucasus glow!
I knew not why my heart grew light;
I heard a voice of secret might
Say, "Once those regions were thy home!"
I sank, in glorious dreams to roam;
Visions of happier days of yore
Made my soul clearer than before.

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My home flashed back upon my sight:—
The grim defile, where blackest night
At sunset reigns; the open ground
Studded with folds, and cottages
Under the shade of great trees;
I heard the baying of the hound;
The bleat of flocks, on homeward way,
The herdsman's shout, the horse's neigh.
Old men, with faces scarred and browned,
Sat talking by our cottage door,
Di ne soft twilight; and the gleam
Of arms flashed sharply through my dream,
And there my father stood once more
With that grand look he always wore;—
In sheet of mail I saw him stand,
With shield on arm and sword in hand;
Still, still I see him, life-like dear,
The resolute, the manly! I hear!
My sisters in my vision came,
Their eyes with tenderest love aflame;
I heard, but not with mortal ears,—
'Twas echoes out of far-off years,—
Their low songs round my cradle sung.
And, chattering through the deep dells,
The shallow rivulet sprung.
Upon whose banks I used to while
Whole hours and Summer days away,
And watch the swallows at their play
Low skimming, ere the fall of rain,
Dip their light wings and soar again."

The dying boy then relates the circumstances of his flight from the cloister, and exults in the memory of his riotous fellowship with the storm that abetted his escape. He knew not whither he was flying. He cared to know only that he was free. Wearied at length, he lay down upon a mossy bank on the edge of a deep ravine, of which the breaking day had given him timely warning. He listened, but heard no sound of pursuing footsteps. Now and then the cry of a wild beast broke upon the silence of the night, and presently

"I heard the warble, as I lay,
Of birds that felt the break of day.—
Morn flames, the cloud no longer grieves,
Low sighs the wind through pattering leaves;
The flowers, fresh-washing, wake again,
And I, in spite of weary pain,
Uplift my eyes against the light:—
Below me, like a nether night,
Yawns a black gulf,—the plunging stream,
Far under, shoots a ghastly gleam.
God's living garden, far and wide,
Bloomed, in primeval wealth and pride;
The blossoms on their foreheads kept
The sparkling tears the morn had wept;
O'er many a tree, with fingers fine,
Clambered and clung the wandering vine.

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I sank upon the grass again,
And listened to the varying strain
That seemed from every bush to pour;
Mysterious murmurs filled the air,
As if the cloudstorm whispering low
What only the fitching earth should know;
And answers rose from field and wood,
Which the clouds only understood.

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Ah, hopeless that morning was to near,
And all else sky so pure and clear;
One might have seen an angel's flight
Through its blue vault of burning light.
Heart, eye absorbed in that fair sight,
Play, in thoughtful dreams immersed,
Till roused by noonday heat and thirst.
Then, downward toward the torrent's side,
Through the precipice
Scant shrub and yielding rock supplied
A foothold it were death to miss;
And often, underneath my feet,
Sudden the treacherous stone would shoot,
Swift downward to the water crash,
And I leave me hang over the abyss;
But youth is never bold and rash.
And I was not afraid of death;
And when, at last, with failing breath,
I reached the end of that steep way,
Sweet was the freshness of the spray
That dew-like filled the air unseen.
I kneeled upon the border green
To drink,—when, hush! a voice, not far,
And footsteps echoing through the wood!
Oh, what a start and blinding jar
That bound sent through my languid blood!
I started up, all eye and ear,
And still the song and step drew near;
So full of life that song,
So artless, freely song along,
As if she only hummed the notes
Of those who shared her turtle games.
It was a short and simple lay;
But deep into my heart it wound.
And [illegible]

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Worn out by his long and recent flight through the forest, the poor fugitive lay as in a dream on the bank of the torrent, saw the maiden fill her pitcher and depart by the way she came, until she disappeared from his sight in a little cottage that looked as if it was growing out of the rock on which it stood. The door closed upon her, and he was again alone in the world. Then, says the poem:

"Wearied with all that favored stress
Of soul, I stretched me in the shade,
And sleep, with pitying tenderness,
Her hand upon my eyelids laid.
In the sweet trouble of a dream
I saw the Georgian maid again;
But wake sent to life and pain.
The chilly moon's pernicious beam
Smote on my face, and, crystalline,
The stars shot down their sparkling fire.
And now and then a dragon cloud
Made at the moon, with gaping jaws;
She could her easy, screened and proud,
There was deep silence through the night,
As though life made a death-like pause,
Deposed even the moaning of the stream
The nereal murmur heard in dream.
A faintly glimmering taper light
Was flickering in the lonely hut,
And fluttering dim a way too soon,
Leaving a darkness, as when shut
Heaven's cloudy doors on star and moon."

His first impulse was to seek the Georgian maiden; but the suddenly awakened thought of his native land overmastered every other feeling, and once more, weary and faint with hunger, he set forth upon his journey. The forest grew thicker and darker, as he advanced; and when he climbed a tall tree, to obtain a sight of the surrounding country and if possible discover some landmark by which he could direct his steps, the sight of an apparently limitless forest took all courage from his heart:

"Despairing, desperate, down the tree
I slid; my limbs were wet and cold;
I flung me on the forest mold
And beat the blank air in my rage,
Like some wild creature in a cage;
Wept bitter tears;—but even then,
In frenzy, anguish, and despair,
I wanted not the help of men;
That sooner would the tiger share!"

While still lying on the ground, he was startled by the shadow of a panther on the grass, as the magnificent creature bounded between him and the moon. Springing to his feet, with the instinct of his race he tore a sapling up by the roots and awaited the attack. As the hot blood shot through his veins, and his strength suddenly returned, he rejoiced, even in that moment of danger, in the thought that had he been free he would not have held an inferior place among the warriors of his native land. The panther crept cautiously toward him, and the fiery eye-balls of his savage adversary so kindled his own courage, that he sprang forward to meet him half-way, and felled him with a blow from his club. The next instant the fight was renewed, with such frenzy that it would have been difficult to tell which was beast and which was man. A lucky thrust of the club between the panther's jaws decided the contest against the brute:

"And falling hard and heavily,
With a hoarse growl, he left me free,
But yet once more I saw the face,
The reddened look of rage he cast,
And face to face, with warrior pride,
With his proud foe, he breathed his last."

After a short space of rest, he once more endeavored to work his way through the forest. But now an oppressive foreboding filled his heart. Something told him that he should never reach his native land. Still he pressed onward. The dawning day was visible through the branches over head; the forest became less dense. Suddenly emerging from its cover he

"Saw the valley mists uplift,
In shadowy fold and melting drift,
And on the winds that cleared the morn
Faint sounds from distant fields were borne."

Everything wore an all too-familiar look. Alas, there was the cloister from which he had fled! Its white wall, gleaming in the sun, looked to him like the tombstone of his buried hopes. Without strength or heart to fly, he flung himself down upon the grass, and there, "with sorrow over full," he lay

"Slow dying, like some prison-plant,
In a damp cell, where light is scant;
Its leaves it cannot well unfold
In beauty of its native wold;
It languishes and languishes for light
Till one, of heart compassionate,
Pitying its cold and dreary fate,
Removes it from the dungeon night,
Into the garden air and sun;
Life brightens for the little one.
Its leaves, as the burning rays,
Beside the rose it droops and dies.

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In the tall grass I laid my head,
But all was shadeless, stark and dead;
From out the rock's deep, barren rift
I watched the vapors upward drift;
The world lay silent, as if dreaming;
I listened for the wild bird's screaming,
The grasshopper's shrill, cheery tone,
Or rills clear dash o'er rock and stone,
To make the silence less drear and lone."

While lying there, in a half stupor, he had a strange dream. He seemed to be lying in the bed of a torrent, feeling no motion, but conscious of the wild rush of water above him. All about him, in the crystal element, sported gay-colored fishes; and one of them, circling nearer and nearer, and growing more bold and familiar, swam at length close to his head, and in a tiny, silvery voice, sang a delicate ballad in his ear—a mermaiden's invitation to live forever in thatco ol and lovely world:

"I listened hushed. I listened long;
And with the fishes' silvery song
Mingled the ripple soft of rills,
The hollow roar, the crystal dash,
All sounds in which the torrent spoke;
When suddenly the vision broke,
Dark grew the world, and swam my head;
Upon the grass I lay, as dead."

There is little more to tell. There the monks found him, as already narrated, and bore him back to the cloister, where he died. The poem closes with a beautiful touch of tender feeling, some faint trace of which, the writer trusts, may be perceptible in the translation:

"And when my heart no longer heaves,—
I think you have not long to wait,—
Carry me past the garden gate
To where two cassias shake their leaves,
In Summer, o'er the waving grass;
Where the sweet breezes gently pass,
Stealing the balmy breath of flowers,
And fluttering leaves flash sparkling green,
In sunlight after Summer showers;
There, Greybeard, let my body rest!
There, beath the blue of heaven serene,
Sweet sleep shall calm my weary breast;
There, old Caucasus looms in sight!
Freshness, from his freezing height,
In the loud tempest he may send
A greeting to his orphaned friend;
And I may see a brother bend
Above me, and his hand extend
To soothe away the burning pain,
To wipe the cold sweat from my brow,
Then gaze—the vision comes and goes,
And whisper thoughts of home again.
Refreshed, my worn-out flesh shall leap
In gladness of the earlier day;—
With this sweet thought I sink away,
And, sursing no one, fall asleep."

So ends this beautiful poem. It is full of imagination and pathos. The writer is fully aware of the imperfections of his translation, and gives it to the public more in the hope of inducing some one familiar with the Russian to attempt a direct version, than as an adequate representation of the power and beauty of the original.

The Louvre Auctions.

M. ESCRIVE, the auctioneer, still continues his labors at the Louvre, going regularly through the vast quantity of property left behind by the Emperor. Down to the 31st of December, the articles disposed of brought the following sums: Plate, 33,323 francs; linen, 190,[illegible] francs; carriages, 264,964 francs; arms, 15,[illegible] francs; wine, 238,904 francs; furs, 31,[illegible] francs; porcelains, 108,719 francs; kitchen utensils, 34,438 francs; furniture, cost, 20,[illegible] francs, making a total of 1,119,845 francs. The early part of the latest week was devoted to plated articles, while Jan. 18 was appropriated to Sèvres china and glass, all bringing high prices.

OUR SAVINGS BANKS.

Financial Condition of the Savings Institutions Continued.

Annual Exhibits for 1871—How the Funds are Invested—The German Up-Town, the Old-Broad, the Dime, Bond, Seventh Ward, and Equitable Savings Banks.

The financial statements of our City savings banks are continued this morning. As already stated, the publication of these reports has met with very general satisfaction, and some of the most reliable savings banks of the City have voluntarily sent their statements to the Times. While the excitement about the recent failures of savings institutions still continues, which failures are attributable either to reckless speculation, or to flagrant dishonesty, the publication of these financial statements may in some measure serve to retain public confidence where it is deserved, by showing depositors the manner in which their funds have been invested by those to whom they are entrusted. In several of these statements it will be observed that the furniture, fixtures and safes, and in one case the premiums and revenue stamps are included among the assets of the banks. These items are only to be found in the statements of the smaller banks, and whether they can be called legitimate resources or not, is left to the public to judge.

THE GERMAN UP-TOWN SAVINGS BANK.

This bank is not, as is sometimes supposed, a branch of the savings bank above referred to. Its officers are Mr. CHRISTIAN SCHWARTZ, President, and Mr. CHARLES SCHAFFNER, Secretary. The surplus in the subjoined statement shows an increase of $7,948 30 over that of last year.

ASSETS, JAN. 1, 1872.

Bonds and mortgages	$324,268 00
United States 5-20 bonds, market value, Jan. 1, 1872	118,820 27
New-York City bonds	70,000 00
Brooklyn City bonds	2,992 50
Westchester County bonds, market value, Jan. 1, 1872	83,027 50
Cayuga County bonds, market value, Jan. 1, 1872	23,761 25
South Carolina State bonds, market value, Jan. 1, 1872	19,750 00
North Carolina State bonds, market value, Jan. 1, 1872	3,800 00
Georgia gold 7 per cent. bonds	18,000 00
Call loans, secured by United States and State bonds	87,600 00
Cash on deposit in banks and trust companies	109,241 28
Cash on hand	14,558 26
Accrued interest on investments to Jan. 1, '72	13,199 71
Real estate, including vaults and office furniture	190,321 18
Total	$1,069,336 95
$12,400 rent received from that portion of bank building not used by the bank.	

LIABILITIES.

Amount due depositors Jan. 1, 1872	$1,025,072 08
Interest credited depositors Jan. 1, 1872	24,212 49
Surplus Jan. 1, 1872	15,864 02

EXCELSIOR SAVINGS BANK.

This is a new bank, having its offices under Booth's Theatre, Twenty-third-street and Sixth-avenue. The charter was granted in 1869. The principal officers are Mr. BENJAMIN F. BEEKMAN, President; Messrs. HORACE E. THURBER and JAMES WALLACE, Vice-Presidents; and Mr. ISAAC S. BARRETT, Secretary.

ASSETS JAN. 1, 1872.

Bonds and mortgages on real estate, New-York and Brooklyn, worth more than double the amount	$212,268 71
United States bonds, market value	122,798 00
New-York City bonds, market value	20,000 00
Brooklyn bonds, market value	20,000 00
Westchester County and towns, Kingston, and other town bonds, market value	111,200 00
Call loans—United States, town, and county bonds, with vaults and safes	140,425 00
Call loans—Savings bank books and mortgages, collateral	20,975 00
Fixtures and furniture, cost over $7,000	4,000 00
Interest accrued on investments	17,009 79
Cash in Manhattan Trust Company	60,329 29
Cash in safe	67,408 54
Total	$844,409 02

LIABILITIES.

Amount due depositors Jan. 1, 1872	$809,192 48
Excess of assets over liabilities	35,277 54
Interest due depositors Jan. 1, 1872	23,941 60
Surplus	14,499 60

FRANKLIN SAVINGS BANK

is at the corner of Forty-second-street and Eighth-avenue. It was chartered in 1869, and its principal officers are Mr. JAMES P. CHANLAIN, President; Mr. GEORGE CRUGER, Treasurer; and Mr. JAMES B. PECK, Secretary. The statement of this bank is a very explicit one, and at the recent examination by Mr. KEYES, the State Bank Examiner, that gentleman expressed his entire satisfaction with its condition.

ASSETS JAN. 1, 1872.

U. S. 5-20 bonds of 1867, par	$235,000 00
U. S. 5-20 bonds of 1868, par	50,000 00
N. Y. County bds., 7 per ct., par	100,000 00
N. Y. City bonds, 7 per ct., par	60,000 00
N. Y. State bds., 7 per ct., par	5,000 00
Brooklyn City bds., 7 per ct., par	25,000 00
Oswego City bds., 7 per ct., par	60,000 00
West Farms bds., 7 per ct., par	12,000 00
Spring Port bds., 7 per ct., par	5,000 00
Stamford bds., 7 per ct., par	10,000 00
New-York City, on property worth $1,400,000	630,300 00
Call loans on 600,000 U. S. 5-20 bs.	20,000 00
Real estate worth $40,000	41,047 22
Cash in Chemical National Bank and vault	40,414 15
Total	$1,340,023 01
Market value of the above Dec. 31	$1,326,772 91
Interest due on the above Jan. 1	20,522 46
Total assets	$1,360,145 47

LIABILITIES.

Due depositors Jan. 1	$1,315,997 15
Interest due depositors Jan. 1	20,522 10
	$1,336,519 25
Surplus	$23,626 15

NORTH RIVER SAVINGS BANK.

This institution is situated at the corner of Eighth-avenue and Thirty-fourth-street, and its principal officers are Mr. JOHN HOOPER, President, and Mr. J. O. BENNETT, Secretary. The following statement, made by Mr. WM. B. MOORE, the President of the West-side Bank, who is also a Trustee of the North River Savings Bank:

ASSETS, JAN. 1, 1872.

Bonds and mortgages on real estate		$284,500
$80,000 Kingston bonds	@ 85	67,000
$18,000 Utica City bonds	@100	18,000
$60,000 Brooklyn Water Loan	@ 92	55,200
$150,000 New-York City bonds	@102	154,500
$44,000 various town bonds	@ 95	41,800
$50,000 United States 5-20s	@112½	56,250
$60,000 New-York City Street Improvement bonds		60,000
$25,000 New-York City Street Improvement bonds		25,000
Call loans on United States 5-20s		115,000
Total		$799,110
Cash	$60,025 89	
Accrued interest not collected	11,267 37	
Bank furniture	3,750 00	65,042 76
Total assets		$864,152 76

LIABILITIES.

Amount due depositors	$814,778 54	
Interest due depositors	20,852 24	
Rent of bank due	268 67	836,127 45
Surplus		$28,025 31

CITIZENS' SAVINGS BANK.

This bank has an excellent reputation, and does a most extensive business. It is situated at the corner of Canal-street and the Bowery, and has for its principal officers, Mr. E. A. QUINTARD, President; Messrs. ROYAL G. MILLARD and ANDREAS WILLMAN, Vice-Presidents, and Mr. SEYMOUR A. BURCE, Secretary. The total number of open accounts in the year 1870 was 14,024, and last year the number materially increased, though the deposits as a rule run very small. The assets for the year 1871 amounted to $6,316,059 41, against $6,271,496 56 the previous year, showing an increase in the surplus of $1,344,575 85. It will also be observed in this report that the various securities are given at their market value, and that the only real estate possessed by this institution is the large banking-house of the estimated value of $180,000.

STATEMENT—JAN. 1, 1872.

On deposit Jan. 1, 1871		$6,269,139 10
Deposits received from Jan. 1 to Dec. 31, 1871		4,796,496 87
Interest credited to depositors—		
1871, July	$125,591 32	
1872, January	200,481 32	326,072 64
Total		$11,392,709 14
Drafts and interest paid from Jan. 1 to Dec. 31, 1871		5,076,634 57
Due depositors, principal and interest on Jan. 1, 1872		$6,316,074 57

ASSETS.

Bonds and mortgages on real estate in the City of New-York and adjoining counties, worth at least double the amount loaned	$2,310,000 00
United States bonds, market value	1,175,875 00
State stocks, market value	204,000 00
County bonds of New-York State, market value	600,300 00
City bonds of New-York State, market value	1,100,000 00
Town bonds of New-York State, market value	414,000 00
Real estate banking house	180,000 00
Loans secured by United States bonds	100,000 00
Interest earned on investments	64,333 33
Cash in trust companies	300,000 00
Cash in banks	174,000 00
Cash in vault	416,000 00
Total	$8,323,333 33
Less January, 1872, United States tax	8,181 12
Total	$8,315,152 21
Surplus or excess of assets	319,078 04

THE UNION DIME SAVINGS BANK.

This is an old and firmly established savings bank situated at Nos. 204 and 206 Canal-street. Its principal officers are Mr. NAPOLEON J. HARRIS, President; Messrs. W. F. WHITLOCK and JOHN W. DOMINICK, Vice-Presidents, and Mr. THEO. F. ARMOUR, Secretary. The extensive business done by this bank may be gathered from the fact that the total number of accounts open to date is 15,816. The subjoined statement is a very full and explicit one. It will be observed that the loan of mortgages on real estate [illegible] of one-third the value of the property. The surplus has increased $[illegible] last year, showing an increase over that last year of $79,948 61.

STATEMENT, JAN. 1, 1872.

About one-third its value on real estate, at	$5,085,127 00
Loans on call, (United States bonds, collateral	283,000 00
Invested in United States bonds, registered, (at par)	1,100,000 00
Invested in New-York County 7 per cent. bonds, registered, (at par)	1,000,000 00
Invested in [illegible] 7 per cent. bonds, registered, (at par)	750,000 00
Invested in Jersey City, N. J., 7 per cent. bonds, registered, (at par)	500,000 00
New-York City bonds, registered	300,000 00
Invested in New-York Town 7 per cent. bonds, registered, (at par)	50,000 00
Deposit in Trust Company	300,000 00
Invested in banking house	125,000 00
Deposit in bank and vault	377,452 94
Accrued interest	22,157 14
Total	$10,317,736 19
Amount due depositors, principal	$9,254,591 26
Interest credited	156,024 29
	$9,410,615 55
Surplus or guarantee fund	907,120 41
Amount of interest credited and paid depositors last year	$325,889 00

NEW-YORK SAVINGS BANK.

This bank was established in 1854, and is situated at the corner of Eighth-avenue and Fourteenth-street. Its principal officers are Mr. RICHARD M. BLIS, President; Mr. SAMUEL E. KELLER, Vice-President; and Mr. C. W. SHINOKBERGOFF, Secretary. The assets and securities of this bank are given at par value, and the surplus of 1871 shows an increase over that of the previous year of $62,[illegible] 6[illegible].

ASSETS, JAN. 1, 1872.

Amount of bonds and mortgages on real estate located in the City of New-York, worth more than double the amount loaned thereon	$[illegible]
Amount invested in United States bonds	300,000 00
Amount invested in New-York City and County Bonds	220,000 00
Amount invested in the bonds of Brooklyn and County of Kings	400,000 00
Amount invested in bonds of the towns of State of New-York	165,000 00
Amount invested in State of Michigan and New-Jersey bonds, call, secured by the pledge of first-class securities	254,104 00
Amount loaned on call, secured by the pledge of first-class securities	275,400 00
Amount of cash on hand and in banks	32,999 56
Amount of interest accrued, but not due	37,488 48
Amount of premium on stock investments	48,500 00
Total amount of assets	$2,695,290 75

LIABILITIES.

Amount due to depositors	$2,415,949 01
Amount of interest paid to depositors Jan. 1, 1872	61,674 62
Amount due to depositors at date	2,477,720 64
Excess of assets over liabilities	217,570 14

EQUITABLE SAVINGS INSTITUTION.

This is one of the youngest savings institutions in the City, having been established only two months. It is situated on Sixth-avenue and Twelfth-street, and its principal officers Mr. JOHN F. WHITE, President, Messrs. G. T. JACKSON and RICHARD AMERMAN Vice-Presidents, and Mr. FLOYD CLARKSON Secretary. The charter granted to this bank is very narrow in the matter of its powers for investments of a substantial character for loans. The Trustees state that the business of the bank is conducted on the safest and most conservative principles, taking no checks, opening no accounts to be drawn against by check, and loaning money only on United States stock. The assets of the bank amount this year to $26,417 41, and the surplus to $10 17.

LIABILITIES.

Amount due depositors Jan. 1, 1872	$25,270 74
Received in 1871 from depositors	74,886 18
Interest credited to depositors in 1871, June 30 and Dec. 30, 1871	1,113 42
Total	$101,100 31
Paid to depositors in 1871	84,682 90
Due depositors Jan. 1, 1872	$26,417 41

RESOURCES.

Call loans on United States bonds	$20,000 00	
Cash in bank	1,015 84	
Cash on hand in drawer	3,050 74	
United States revenue and postage stamps	198 00	
Safe, desks, &c., cost $3,000 00	1,000 00	$25,267 58
Surplus		$10 17

THE EAST RIVER BRIDGE.

How the Work is Done—What is to Be Done and When it Will be Finished.

Of the fifty thousand business men who every day cross the river at Fulton Ferry, at least forty thousand take note of the progress of the enormous stone tower on the Brooklyn shore, to which will be anchored the Long Island ends of the huge wire cables for the East River Bridge. It is amusing to listen to the various and varying comments made by passengers. The sceptics who believe, or say they do, that the bridge will never be successfully built, but must, of necessity, fall of its own weight before the span is completed, are by no means few. Others there are who, with a wise shrug of the shoulders, will admit that "the bridge may be finished, but not in your day or mine, old boy." Then there are others, men of the present day, who, bearing in mind the other miracles of modern engineering—the Mont Cenis Tunnel, and a score of other mighty works—believe that the bridge will be finished, and that any man who is not enterprising enough to die within the next five years, will see it used as commonly as are now the ferry-boats. It is to show the soundness of the convictions of this last-mentioned class, and to assure the public that within the next four years, should no untoward accident intervene, the breadth of water between the sister Cities of New-York and Brooklyn will be crossed by a solid bridge, that the present article is written.

A slight sketch, giving our readers an idea of the general plan of the work, its progress and present condition, will be interesting to very many, (though at the cost of some repetition.)

It was necessary that the bridge should be so high as to enable the tallest masts of the largest vessels to go under it, and should have no supporting piers in mid-stream to impede the most perfect use of the entire breadth of the river. These conditions could only be met by a "suspension bridge," which necessitated the erection of two enormously high and strong towers to support the cables which are to sustain the roadway. It is to the building of these structures that the Company are now bending all their energies. Solid bottom far below the river bed had to be found on which to base the huge pile of masonry, for this must rest on a substratum as firm as the rocky ribs of either island. The preliminary borings, drillings, diggings and other explorations took several months of exceedingly hard work, and the time during which this was being carried on was one of the utmost anxiety and care to the engineer, Mr. ROEBLING, senior, who had the matter in charge. After much examination the tower points were settled on both the Long Island and the Manhattan shores, and the work was fairly begun. On the Brooklyn side it was necessary to go to the depth of 44½ feet to secure a solid foundation. It was not solid rock, but large bowlders laid close together, and gravel and sand so crowded into the interstices as to make the stratum nearly as substantial as rock itself.

On the New-York side the task was much more difficult. For many feet the bottom of the river is made of trash of all sorts—old sunken docks, half-rotted piles, wrecked vessels, old chains, anchors, &c. At last, at a depth of 99½ feet, the firm "bed-rock" was reached, that submarine spur of the Catskill Mountains upon which the Island of Manhattan is seated. And at this depth will eventually rest the New-York tower.

At present the work on the Brooklyn tower consists simply of laying stone, and there are employed from thirty to forty men, all stone-masons and their helpers. The progress of each day's work is plainly visible to every passenger on the boats of the Fulton Ferry. At the New-York terminus the work is being prosecuted with all the force that 300 men and twenty steam-engines can bring into action, and one noticeable fact is, that all the labor is done by "day's work," there being no "contract work" whatever.

Entering the work-yard of the Bridge Company on the New-York side, on South-street, two or three blocks above Peck-slip, the visitor is admitted to a huge incloseure. Huge timbers, beams and braces are piled up in great heaps, and these are handled, not by main strength and brute force, but by a system of little portable tram-ways, which are nearly as manageable as a flexible gang-way; a heavy piece of timber which the unassisted strength of forty men would not avail to move, is, by not more than three laborers, taken upon a little truck, and in three minutes is deposited in the desired place.

The work is progressing much faster on the second, or New-York tower than it did on the first, or Brooklyn one. Of course increased facility of doing work came, by practice, to all who were employed, from the Chief Engineer down to the common laborer.

On the New-York tower there are now employed about 140 men, of whom 20 are laborers. These, or some of them, work 100 feet in a cage down into the air-chamber and work four hours; then they have four hours rest; then long hours work again, and the day's work is finished, eight hours being the limit. The men are by the assistance of twelve steam-engines, known as "compressors," to supply them with air; there are two engines for hoisting stone, two for hoisting wood and other *debris*, and two for sending down tools, materials, and for other purposes. As many men are employed as can be advantageously managed, and the work is pushed on as fast as possible.

The two great towers which are to sustain the main cables are to be each 268 feet in height. This elevation is necessary, as the bridge at the lowest point of its roadway must be 118 feet above high water, in order to offer no obstruction to even the largest ships. Besides the main towers, there will be on each side of the river

WORK OF THE LEGISLATURE

The Committee of Seventy's Charter Favorably Reported.

Attitude of the Different Parties on the Subject.

More New Charters in Course of Preparation.

Barnard and Cardozo Arraigned by the Bar Association.

Tom Fields Begs for a Few Days' Delay.

A Measure to Reform the Harbor Abuses in New-York.

From Our Own Correspondent.

ALBANY, Friday, Feb. 2, 1872.

The Assembly Committee on Cities held a meeting this morning and took up the charter of the Committee of Seventy. After some discussion it was agreed to report the charter favorably today, which was accordingly done, and the leading measure of reform for the City of New-York is now before the House for discussion. A few immaterial amendments were made to the charter in the Committee, but the only alteration of importance is a change in the time for holding the first election under it, from the second Tuesday in April next to the third Tuesday in March. After this year the elections under the charter are to be held annually on the second Tuesday in April. It will thus be seen that, in case the charter is adopted, the people of New-York will have an opportunity in six weeks from Tuesday next to make a clean sweep of their present Ring rulers and turn over a new leaf in municipal affairs. A strong pressure will be brought to bear from different, and even from antagonistic, sources in New-York, to prevent the passage of the charter. The Tammany Republicans, who now hold office by favor of their Ring masters, will of course oppose it to a man, and it appears to be equally unacceptable to a large portion of the regular Republicans of the State, who now representing them here correctly express their views. It is understood that both branches of the party are preparing a charter, to be submitted next week and placed in competition with the work of the Committee of Seventy. The "Citizens' Association" is also in the field with a charter which was introduced in the Senate this morning. It looks now as if charters were to be as plenty here as underground railroad schemes, but I am inclined to think the rule of "first come, first served" will prevail, and the Committee of Seventy will bear off the prize. It is certain that the line of division as between Fenton and Anti-Fenton, Administration and Anti-Administration, Republicans in the Legislature will not be drawn in reference to the Seventy's charter. ALVORD, HUSTED, MACKEY and others who have hitherto been arrayed on the Tammany-Republican side of the House, are understood to be in favor of the charter as a whole. The Democrats, as a general thing, pretend to be indifferent as to what kind of a charter is adopted; but they would readily join their forces with either branch of the Republicans that would patch up the present charter so as to return to power their own partisans. There are some Republicans who favor the passage of a charter that shall be outside-out partisan in its character, and openly framed in the interest of their party. They say that the Democracy has never made any bones about legislating for the benefit of their party when they had the power, and that the Republicans ought to protect themselves in the same way; that the people at the last election decided in their favor as between the two parties, one or the other of which must naturally rule the City, and that since they have got to take the responsibility of legislation this Winter, they ought to take the power with it. The prevailing sentiment, however, at the present time, is against partisan legislation for New-York, and, as the Seventy's charter is non-partisan, and the first in the field, and as all are anxious to be rid of the subject its chances of success may be set down as good.

MEMORIAL FROM THE BAR ASSOCIATION.

Mr. ALVORD today presented the anxiously-looked for memorial of the Bar Association of New-York, containing charges against a portion of the Judiciary of that City—especially Judges BARNARD and CARDOZO—and asking for an investigation. Mr. ALVORD moved that the memorial be referred to the Judiciary Committee with instructions to make the investigation asked for forthwith. Mr. FIELDS moved as an amendment that it be printed and placed on the tables of members for their examination, to be taken up on Monday evening next. He said the air was full of rumors and charges against officials of all grades, both City, State and Federal, and, while he had no desire to shield any one who was guilty, he thought that every man, and particularly Judges of the High Courts of the State, was entitled to have the charges against him made specific before being called on to defend himself. He closed by appealing to the gray hairs of Mr. ALVORD to extend the same justice to the parties implicated in this memorial that he would demand for himself under like circumstances. Mr. ALVORD replied that the charges were not new to the parties interested; that they had been made and repeated for years in the public prints, and had, doubtless, been read and thoroughly understood by the Judges implicated in them. There was no surprise on their part, they had permitted these charges to be iterated and reiterated without demanding, as they should have done, if innocent, an investigation into their truth. They had now been formally presented to the Legislature by a large and influential association of members of the Bar, and it was due to the public that an investigation should be had without unnecessary delay. Mr. JACOBS moved as an amendment that the investigation be extended to the County Judges of Queens and Kings, against whom complaints had been made by the farmers of that county. Mr. ALVORD objected to his memorial being encumbered with reference to the Legislature with reference to these officials. The original motion of Mr. ALVORD was then adopted, and the memorial was referred to the Judiciary Committee, with instructions to make the investigation.

A REFORM QUARANTINE BILL.

Col. HAWKINS introduced a bill to establish a Quarantine for the Harbor of New-York, and to regulate the powers and duties of the Health Officer. The bill has been prepared under the supervision of the representative mercantile bodies of the City, such as the Chamber of Commerce, the Board of Trade, &c., and is intended to prevent the abuses which have long prevailed in the Quarantine Department, and which have injured, so much injury upon the commerce of the port. It is to be followed by a bill reorganizing the system of Harbor-Masters and Port Wardens in New-York, which, as now managed, is scarcely less injurious to commerce than the Quarantine establishment.

THE WOOD INVESTIGATION.

The Senate today, on the request of Mr. ALVORD, authorized a special committee of which he is Chairman, having charge of the investigation in the case of Senator JAMES WOOD, to sit in the City of New-York.

THE ADJOURNMENT OF THE ASSEMBLY.

A strong effort was made to adjourn the Assembly over to Monday night, but it failed, and a motion to have a session this evening was carried. The Senate, however, after the announcement of concurring with the question carried the motion to adjourn over by a vote of 16 to 15, and so to said in justice to the Senate that the

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WASHINGTON

The Adjustment of Bills and Boundary in the Washington Treaty.

Meeting of the Democratic Free Traders—The Cunard Line and the Ocean Mails.

Probable Reduction of the Tax.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—The House Committee on Foreign Affairs today heard the statements of the Secretary of State and the Secretary of the Treasury in relation to the fishery clauses of the Treaty of Washington bills, for the enforcement of which acts now before that Committee. The Secretary of State is reported as having given at some length the reasons why the legislation required should be promptly enacted. One argument is that it is required as a measure of good faith, and that a failure to carry out these provisions would naturally be regarded by Great Britain as an unfriendly act. The Secretary of the Treasury gave his views with reference to what is necessary to be done for the relief of the merchant marine generally, as well as to protect the fishing interests of the country against the effect of free trade in fish. The Committee resolved to authorize their Chairman, Gen. BANKS, to report. The bill carrying these provisions into effect is known as the State Department bill, because prepared there, but it is understood that none of the members of the Committee are positively committed to its support, and are free to oppose or amend this bill as they see fit. The Democrats on the Committee, Messrs. WOODS, MORGAN and ROBINSON, have opposed the bill thus far, but their party in the House, owing to its dishonest and partisan course on these measures, is now in a queer fix. It will debate the Administration to defeat these provisions of the treaty, they want to vote that way. But to do so they must nullify themselves completely in regard to their principle of free trade, because the essence of it is involved in the free importation of Canadian fish, which is permitted by the treaty. The matter of indemnity to our fishing interests occupies a very peculiar position. Many Eastern members will vote for the bill to carry out the provisions of the treaty, if a measure of indemnity to the fishermen can accompany it, but against the latter will be most of the Democrats and many Western Republicans. A very warm and interesting debate will take place when the report of the Committee is made.

PERSONAL.

Mrs. MEDILL and Miss MEDILL, wife and daughter of Mayor MEDILL of Chicago, and co-proprietors of the *Chicago Tribune*, are the guests of the President and Mrs. GRANT at the Executive Mansion.

THE OCEAN MAIL CONTRACT.

The Committees on Post-offices and Post Roads and those on Commerce in both Houses held a joint meeting today to consider the proposition of the Cunard line and of the Williams & Guion line to carry the Wednesday mails from New-York to Queenstown. The last proposition from the Cunard line, made after the decision against them last week, was to carry the mails for nothing. After further consideration of the subject they unanimously adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Joint Committee, having fully considered the subject at a former meeting, see no reason to change its views and previous decision, and still advise the Postmaster-General to let the contract to the Williams & Guion line.

The Postmaster-General has accordingly signed the contract with the above line for two years from Jan. 1, 1872, at a compensation of six cents per ounce for letters and six cents per pound for newspapers. This ends a spirited contest, which has presented some embarrassing features. Had the Cunard line been just when the Government was sent to powerless, it would have the mails now.

THE DEMOCRATS AND THE LAST PENSION BILL.

The Democratic Party in Congress and in the country at the present time seem to be peculiarly unfortunate in the outcome of all their efforts to fasten upon the Administration or the Republican majority in Congress charges of corruption and maladministration. The last case is an effort to charge upon the Republicans in the House of Representatives inconsiderate action in passing the bill providing that pensions shall begin from the date of the death, which will add fifteen or twenty millions to the national debt. The bill was introduced into the House by Mr. BANKS, of Virginia, and was reported back from the Committee, and passed by the Democrats who voted for it. It is unquestionably true that a majority of the House did not know the amount involved, and the credit is due to a Republican member, Gen. GARFIELD, who seem so thoroughly acquainted with the matter, he moved that the bill be brought back from the Senate for reconsideration. In this he had no support from the Democrats.

THE LATEST PENSION LEGACY FRAUD.

Three or four different times since Gen. BAKER became Commissioner of the Pension Bureau he has made changes in the rules designed to enforce accuracy in the returns of agents and to detect and prevent irregularities that might exist. The effect of the last rule is to make the law so severe that W. T. COLLINS, the agent for this district, could not comply. He refused to make an affidavit which was required to be made with his returns. The investigation, which immediately followed, proved that he was in default to the Government to the amount of several thousand dollars, but exactly how much has not been discovered. Pension Agents, in drawing checks, are required to make them out so they will show much their fees the purpose to which the money is to be applied, so that he must have been taking the money in small amounts for some time, making fraudulent checks which would appear to be regularly drawn. There are eight or ten bondsmen, and they have been duly informed that they will be held responsible for the deficit. When the full amount has been ascertained, suits against them will be instituted. Mr. COLLINS is one of the Grand Army appointees, as have been the other dishonest pension agents, and it illustrates the kind of other qualifications in the civil officers of the Government that former service in the Union army. This exposure will have a beneficial chilling effect on the opposition to civil service reform, which has been consistently made by the *Grand Army Journal*, of which Mr. COLLINS is editor. The case has some very suitable features in it. COLLINS was wounded in the army, and one of his legs was amputated at the hip-joint—one of the few successful operations of the kind. He has ever since suffered at times from the effects of the amputation, and the suffering has been increased by any kind of excitement. The exposure of his dishonesty has brought him almost to the point of death, and yesterday his physicians were much alarmed at his condition. This morning he was somewhat better, but painful as the case is, the penalties of the law will be speedily applied.

THE EDUCATION BILL.

The House debate on Mr. HOAR's Educational bill was resumed today, and indicated that the proposition is growing in favor among the Republicans. Mr. BANKS, who made one of the strongest speeches against the constitutional objections, argued that the amendment by the Delaware whipping-post exempt the bill of Mr. HOAR, who is of such temper to the great mass of that State to the House. He referred to obstacles Massachusetts for the number and character of the negroes there, and said it is safe that was both Seven and Twenty, Mr. BANKS proved conclusively to vindicate the present policy, so far as Ne and Delaware were concerned. A vote on the Educational bill will be taken on Tuesday.

CLAIMS.

The House Committee on Claims has nearly cleared its calendar, and is holding daily sessions for the purpose of preparing as many as possible for report and action when the Committee is called. An unprecedented number of claims have been adversely reported, or established by the Committee on Claims, yesterday, are quite a number of cases wherein subordinate officers who have temporarily filled by assignment the places of their superiors have claimed the pay of the superior position. Was a former chief clerk of the Land Office and a former chief clerk of the Navy Department. The Committee decided adversely to the claims in both instances, and all like cases fall to the ground.

Dispatch of the Associated Press.

THE CRAFT MURDERER.

Major SAMUEL G. TRAVOR and Dr. Gallagher, under subpœna of Gov. of Tallahassee, to the City of [illegible] Mobile, Ala. Capt. A. R. BURRINGTON, of the

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THE BROKEN RAIL ACCIDENT

Details of the Disaster on the Lehigh Valley Railroad.

Seven Persons Already Dead and Others Dying.

Nineteen Passengers Reported as Wounded.

Culpable Recklessness of the Road Engineers.

Racing on Short Curves Repeatedly Indulged In.

Necessity of More Stringent Rules Against High Speed.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

SCRANTON, Penn., Feb. 2.—The shocking and heart-rending accident on the Lehigh Valley Railroad continues to be the one absorbing topic in the streets here today. The disaster is discussed in excited groups of people who have either visited the scene of destruction the morning, or were at work all last night in attempting to succor the unfortunate victims.

During the excitement that ensued immediately after the accident it was impossible to obtain anything like a correct version of the disaster. I find now the number of the killed was slightly exaggerated, yesterday, for, so far, there are only seven persons dead. Their names are as follows:

J. A. SMITH, of Wilkesbarre, and a member of the firm of GORDON & SMITH. His remains were sent to Newark today, where his wife and child reside.

Mrs. M. MILLER, of Tannery Station.

Mrs. REX and child, of Reading, Penn.

THEODORE BAYERS, of No. 200 Arch-street, Philadelphia.

Mrs. S. PRATSCHNER, of Wilkesbarre.

Mr. WOLF, of White Haven.

There were nineteen persons wounded, as follows:

A. KELSEY, of Hickory Run, slightly injured.

CHARLES TRESTER, of Pittston, Penn.

F. H. GILLETT, of Hickory Run.

Sheriff WHITTAKER, of White Haven, severely cut on head and face, and left hip and right arm badly bruised.

Hon. R. L. DARE, of Wilkesbarre, face and head badly cut.

JOHN LAILY, of Pittston, Penn.

NOAH MEYLER, of Bethlehem.

Conductor ELY SHOEMAKER.

These also have some bones.

Miss ROSE TROXELL, of Wilkesbarre, is at White Haven, not expected to recover.

At the Mansion House in Mauch Chunk are

J. H. MILLER, of Towanda.

Miss MARY A. SPAYD, of Wilkesbarre, badly injured.

Mrs. MONTAYNE, of Brooklyn, N. Y.

LUTHER WOODWARD, of Wilkesbarre.

JAMES KRUPATRICK, of Wilkesbarre.

GEORGE W. BRADER, of White Haven, head cut and arm broken.

JOHN COX, of Bethlehem.

Mrs. RIVELL, of Yonkers.

JOSEPH YONKERS, of Yonkers, and also the brakeman of the train.

All of these are receiving the best of care, but some of them cannot possibly recover. Mr. H. GILLETT is very restless to-night, and will probably die before many hours. He was thrown 100 feet from the wreck, and is internally injured. GEO. W. BRADER has a cut in his neck through which he is forced to breathe.

The train was run at the rate of thirty miles an hour around the innumerable curves. The Lehigh Valley and Lehigh and Susquehanna Central New-Jersey roads parallel with each other from Wilkesbarre to Bethlehem, within sight of each other, with the Lehigh River between them. From one end of the year to the other constant racing is kept up by the engineers and firemen, utterly regardless of the safety of the passengers. Stringent regulations ought to be adopted and enforced to prevent engineers from descending the mountains at such a high rate of speed, more especially during the existing cold snap. There is no doubt that had such a rule been enforced yesterday, this calamity as has occurred would not have been on record.

GREAT BRITAIN.

The Leading Press on the Alabama Claims—Hostile Comment on the "Times" of the United States—The Prince of Wales Thanksgiving.

LONDON, Feb. 2.—The discussion of the Alabama claims continues, and gives a more serious aspect to the opening of Parliament approaches. The English case laid before the Geneva Board of Arbitration has not been published, and no opportunity has been given of forming an estimate of the British demands. But the case of the United States has now been before the public for two or three weeks, and all the newspapers, and other organs of public opinion, seem with hostile comment and false statement to assert it. The Times asserts that Chief-Justice COCKBURN, one of the arbitrators, will withdraw from the Board, and that the Government will repudiate the Treaty of Washington.

A correspondent of the same journal advocates this course. He argues as a precedent what he assumes to be a repudiation of the Treaty of Ghent by the United States, and advises England to follow the example of America.

The *Daily News* has reason to believe that the claims of the United States for indemnification will be declared out of Court, and expresses a hope that this opinion is backed by the undivided sentiment of the country.

In proceeding to St. Paul's Church on the 27th, to be present at the thanksgiving ceremonies held for that day, Her Majesty will for the first time deviate from the accustomed route either the Strand and Fleet-street, via Charing Cross and Temple Bar. The royal procession is to take on that occasion the new Thames Embankment, across Westminster to the New Blackfriars Bridge, which, with the Embankment bridges, the Embankment Gardens and the roadway and many private buildings facing the river, will be decorated with flags, flowers and other evidences of loyal good-will.

GENERAL EUROPEAN NEWS.

Revolt in the Philippine Islands—Excitement in Paris Over a New Play—Legislative Affairs.

MADRID, Feb. 2.—Dispatches have been received from the Governor-General of the Philippine Islands announcing a serious attempt at revolt. A company of 300 native soldiers belonging to the artillery service, rebelled and took possession of a fort. The place was subsequently carried by assault by the regular troops, and all the insurgents were killed.

PARIS, Feb. 2.—A new play by Dumas, entitled "Rabagas," has just been produced at the Vaudeville. It contains some very severe strictures on the Ministry, the Bonapartists, which have caused wild scenes of excitement at the theatre. The agitation extends outside, and last night after the performance crowds paraded through the boulevards shouting such "Down with the Bonapartists!" and other cries. Troops in the Place de la Concorde were turned out. But the crowds finally dispersed without coming to blows. To prevent the recurrence of dangerous agitation President Thiers has ordered Gen. LAUMIANOUF to suspend the performance of the play, and it seems probable that the Government will, in the Assembly today, by an overwhelming majority, passed the bill authorizing the Government to notify England and Belgium of the termination of the commercial treaties between France and those countries. Deputy DUCHATEL's motion that the Assembly and Government return to Paris on Monday, the 19 instant, was carried by a majority of 400. Finally, Gambetta eloquently in support of the motion. He was frequently interrupted, there was some confusion in the chamber of great anger the motion was adopted by a vote of 377 to 102. Minister CASIMIR PERIER thereupon resigned.

Twenty-Five Years Ago in Ireland.

Progress of Crime—Three Centuries—The Government and the Catholic Bishops.

From Our Own Correspondent.

LONDON, England, Jan. 20, 1872.

Yesterday afternoon the first Cabinet council since the Christmas Holidays was held, and it is understood that the chief question under consideration was the new policy against the Fenians, into which Mr. GLADSTONE and the Lord Chancellor have fallen with regard to the appointment of the Hon. Attorney-General (Sir R. COLLIER) to be one of the paid Judges of the Committee of the Privy Council. By the act of last session, which was in fact framed by Mr. RICHARD COLLIER himself, it was expressly provided that no one who had not actually been a Judge of one of the Superior Courts should be eligible for this position; but this act was dodged by making Sir ROBERT a Judge of the Common Pleas. He went through the form of taking the oath and sat on the Bench for a day or two, and was then transferred to the Privy Council. While in the Common Pleas he happened to ask an advocate who was arguing a case what he would call a particular transaction of an equivocal kind, to which Young Sahagunian had been made. "I should call it, my Lord," replied the counsel, in his most sonorous voice, "a gross evasion of an act of Parliament." Sir ROBERT did not venture to open his lips again. There is, of course, only one opinion on this subject at the Bar, and the Chief-Justice of England, with the concurrence of the entire Bench, has protested against the dangerous precedent which has thus been established. To the appointment itself there is no objection, only to the way in which it has been made. The Lord Chancellor was expressly chosen for his well-known piety and theological enthusiasm when the Government was formed; it was thought its religious character would help the attack on the Irish Church, and everybody knows Mr. GLADSTONE's faith in the divine inspiration which dictates his slightest and most trivial acts. It required the conjunction of two such highly conscientious and pious men to perpetrate so deliberate and wanton an evasion of the statute. The rest of the Ministers are, I believe, unanimous in condemning it, and if the question is raised in Parliament, as it is sure to be, the Premier in one House and the Chancellor in the other, will have to trust to their own defense. It has been rumored that the Chancellor will resign, but this would rather injure than help Mr. GLADSTONE, since it would look as if he had sacrificed a friend to save himself. It would be absurd to turn out the Government on such a matter, but some protest against a repetition of the trick is inevitable. The storm of criticism with which the Government is assailed from its own side continues to be sharp and vexing. Three stinging tongues have been at work this week.

THE THREE CENSORS.

Prof. FAWCETT, Mr. ROEBUCK, and Mr. HORSMAN have each hell upon their say. When Prof. FAWCETT was quite a lad he was out rabbit shooting with his father, who by accident discharged some small shot into his son's eyes and blinded him. Young FAWCETT was a smart, cheerful youth, with a good deal of energy and pertinacity. He had a good education in spite of his blindness, and his infirmity brought him much sympathy and consideration. He has lived a kind of petted life, and what would have seemed very commonplace and even childish observations for a man in the full possession of his senses, have been received as something wonderful coming from a blind man. In debate he has been more tenderly handled on this account than has been altogether good for him, and he has got into a dogmatic way of laying down the law at the top of his voice which is more vehement than effective. At least, however, he deserves respect for the courageous independence with which, as a Radical, he has protested against the danger of relieving the working classes of their fair share of taxation, though, of course, nothing less could be expected from a professor of political economy who was true to himself and his science. Mr. ROEBUCK is best known by the nick-name which he once bestowed upon himself, "I'm the old dog Tear-'em," he said, "arunt me for that." It cannot be admitted that he has sometimes snarled with good effect, and he has not been afraid to use, as well as to show, his teeth when occasion required it. He led the attack on the Government for its mismanagement of the Crimean War, and he has generally continued to be a thorn in the side of Ministers, especially of his own party. But after all, a life of yelping and snarling does not bring with it much sympathy or respect. ROEBUCK's criticism has been purely destructive, and on most of the great questions of the day he has generally been wrong. It will be remembered that he and Mr. Aspinall, the ship-owner, (who is still alive, but sunk into more commercial obscurity,) made themselves conspicuous by negotiating with the Emperor NAPOLEON for a joint English and French intervention in the American civil war—a proposal which the Emperor favored, but which was universally scouted in England. At one time Sir ROBERT and DISRAELI were a good deal pitted against each other, and the latter once charged the House of Commons in his amusing sketch of his antagonist—describing him as "the Inquisitorial General" of the House, and commenting at his meagre and sad intelligence, of the crab-apple type, "his melodramatic malignity and Sadleur Wells sarcasm, wagging the finger and hurling the breath, speaking daggers but using none." A little withered old man, with puckered, yellow face, leaning on a stick, stabbing his voice every now and then to a biting whisper, and pointing his finger with a kind of malignant thrust, ROEBUCK really has a good deal the look of a vicious witch, muttering incantations over her children of hell-broth. HORSMAN, the third censor of the Government, is a man of a different type from the other two. FAWCETT has the dumpiousness of a philosopher who has had the misfortune never to have been told what nonsense he talks. ROEBUCK represents a morbid acidity of temperament; but HORSMAN is neither intrusively dumpious nor personally malicious. He is the type of the very superior person in politics who looks down from his eminence with mingled pity and contempt, and on occasional hint of advice for the ordinary mortals who are struggling and blundering below. His speeches are terse, vigorous and epigrammatic, and often contain much good matter. He writes them out over and over again, each time destroying the copy and rewriting another from memory, till he has got it thoroughly by heart—so thoroughly that he can ever venture to interpolate anything that occurs to him while speaking without being afraid of losing the thread of his story. But although his speeches are very effective, and he has little or no jumiousness as a politician. The reason is, I take it, because he is not a rough and ready politician; he does not make enough allowance for men and things as they are, and does not grasp the first principle of statesmanship—that it is better even to go wrong little or run the risk of some wrong by doing a thing promptly, than by meddle and muddle and hesitate in the hope of some day hitting on a course of perfect wisdom. During the Reform debate BRIGHT delivered, that, on a little section, on which it was impossible to say what was the exact and proper thing to do, he was urged from the country, but came up hesitating as he said, there was nothing for him to do but to wait. The President Secretary at Dublin did all the real work. Since then he has not appeared on the Treasury bench, and the side at political life has drifted past him. He prefers sport in a shallow, dark water and amuses himself as spearing the crabs in the coarse sweep. These three critics turned on poor, which in his speech, such in his peculiar way—the embodiment of the Government; it was contended and wrong on every point. In the Times two of the chief ways of doing things, and its administration, contributed, everybody knows, thought they made the Duke work. And the other two that they made the Duke stand in their politics.

Columbia Yachting Cup. A special cable dispatch to the Herald from Queenstown, on Saturday, announces that the Columbia, the American yacht, arrived at Queenstown on Friday, and left for Liverpool the same day. The Columbia is to race for the cup against the Cambria, Livonia, Dauntless, Fleetwing, Sappho, Oriental, Vanadis, Arrow, Egeria, Alice, Fiona, Oimara, Heldegarde, Ione, Ada, Ada, Ada

LAW REPORTS.

COURT OF APPEALS CALENDAR.

ALBANY, N. Y., Feb. 1.—The following is the calendar of the Court of Appeals for Feb. 1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16.

DECISIONS.

SUPREME COURT—GENERAL TERM—FEB. 2.

By Judge Barnard.

Scott vs. Sanderson et al.; motion granted. Churchill vs. Sherrer; motion denied, with $10 costs.

Bacon et al. vs. Gilman; motion denied, with costs.

Neuringer vs. Neuringer; motion for counsel fee granted.

The Security Insurance Company vs. Barry; order that the action be continued by and in the name of the receiver.

Tracy et al. vs. Altman et al.; motion denied, with $10 costs.

Clarkson vs. Skidmore, Jr.; report confirmed and order granted.

In the matter of the assessment of the Executors of the Church of the Intercession in New-York; order granted.

Clark vs. Weather et al. vs. Fall Creek; referred to Hon. Harvey Hathaway to take proofs, and on special agreement on top by the defendants and to report them with his opinion, &c.

In the matter of Elias Greenhalgh; a bankrupt; for sale of real estate; report confirmed and order granted.

John Lawless vs. John O'Mahony; motion granted with $10 costs.

Brown et al. vs. Mercantile Insurance Company; referred to Philo T. Sunder to take proof and report.

Faucher vs. James, &c.; the plaintiff's motion to dismiss the complaint and the defendant's motion for leave to serve a case and exceptions, are both denied.

In the matter of the application of the congregation Ramaha Chesed for leave to sell a burial ground; order granted.

Barnet vs. Barnet; motion granted upon defendant's paying agreement fee of $40 and printing and serving his costs within ten days. In default thereof, motion denied with $10 costs.

In the matter of the application of Mary Donoback, &c., for leave to mortgage, &c.; report confirmed, and order granted.

SUPERIOR COURT—SPECIAL TERM—FEB. 2.

By Chief Justice Barbour.

Ettenger vs. The Home Insurance Company; Donabedt vs. Donabedt; Henderson vs. Hill; Gray vs. The Sterling Fire Insurance Company; Bascadell vs. Sidey; Hammond vs. Christie; The Orange and Alexandria Railroad Company vs. Cronin; Schuster vs. Bacher; orders granted.

COMMON PLEAS—SPECIAL TERM—FEB. 2.

By Judge Loew.

Curt vs. Weston; motion to place cause on special calendar, for short cause, denied, without costs.

Steinhardt vs. Frank; motion to open default granted on payment of $10 costs.

Langbron vs. Dean; motion denied, without costs.

McKnight vs. Crosby; (see memorandum for counsel.)

More vs. Rand; motion granted (memorandum for counsel.)

Cole vs. Breder; motion to open default granted, with $10 costs to plaintiff, to abide the event of the action.

In the matter of the petition of David D. Tappen, receiver; order settled.

UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT.

No. 108.—*The New-Haven Steam Transportation Company vs. The Steam-boat Continental and the New-Haven Steam-boat Company.*—Appeal from the Circuit Court for the District of Connecticut.—The libel in this case. The action was brought to recover damages for a collision which occurred between the appellants' propeller *Northampton* and the appellees' steamboat *Continental*, near the entrance of the harbor of New-Haven, a little after 1 o'clock on the morning of Oct. 22, 1865, whereby the *Northampton* was sunk. The District Court decided that the *Northampton* was in fault in not keeping her starboard light; that she was running in direct violation of law, which required her to keep a central range of two white lights, and that this was the cause of the collision. The libel was accordingly dismissed. The Circuit Court affirmed this decree, and the case is brought here for review. Where the appellants argue, in defending the negligence was with the officers of the *Continental*.

C. Donohue, J. S. Bush and C. R. Ingersoll for appellants; E. O. Ower and T. C. Doolittle for appellees.

No. 304.—*Bortlinger vs. Kelly*.—Error to the Supreme Court of Iowa.—This was a conviction under the Prohibitory Liquor law of the State, which declares that no person shall sell or give away, or keep with intent to sell, or manufacture spirituous liquors, &c., except for mechanical, medicinal, culinary and sacramental purposes, under penalty of fine and imprisonment; and it is here contended that this act of the State is an abridgement of the privileges and immunities guaranteed to citizens of the United States by the Fourteenth Amendment to the Constitution. The case is submitted on the printed briefs.

W. H. Dixon for plaintiff in error; C. Cassady, Attorney-General of Iowa, for the State.

No. 91.—*Alden vs. The First National Bank of Chicago*.—Error to the Circuit Court for the district of Maine. This was an action brought against Alden as an indorser of a promissory note. The makers of the note, who resided at Wilmington, Ill., sent it to Alden who, resident at Belfast, Me., without date or signature, or any written words upon its face, but simply with the figures $5,000 written in, with the request that he would indorse it for their accommodation. Alden wrote his name on the back of the note, and returned it to the makers, who completed it, and negotiated it to one Ullmen, the second indorser thereof, at Chicago. The note, which was payable at Boston, was subsequently indorsed by Ullmen and the Ames Manufacturing Company, and was discounted by the bank in the ordinary course of business, on the 31st of Aug., 1869, without knowledge of any equities between the antecedent parties or of other facts. No suit was brought against the makers in their State or in Massachusetts; nor was there any evidence in the case that such a suit would have been unavailing, or that the makers of the note had left the State. On this state of facts the Court held that the indorser, Alden, was liable in the action, under the laws of Massachusetts, where the note was payable, and the judgment was accordingly for the bank. It here contended that the contract of indorsers was a liability on the part of the indorser until the note passed out of the hands of the makers—being, purely an accommodation indorsement—its liability did not commence until the negotiation of the note at Chicago; that his contract was, therefore, made in Illinois, and the place of performance was at Illinois, and the place of performance was at the place where the makers were to be found, and not at Boston, where the note was payable; and that the makers were liable, if, therefore, the indorser's contract was not really made until the negotiation of the note, the contract was governed by the laws of Illinois, and there the suit against the indorser cannot be maintained until all remedies have been exhausted against the makers. Under the Illinois statutes the liability of an indorser is contingent upon the failure to recover of the maker after due diligence, and if the indorser was not there liable until failure to recover from the maker, he is not liable anywhere until such failure.

J. D. Fuller for plaintiff in error; Elon Brigham for defendant in error.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT.

Before Judge Benedict.

ACTION FOR DAMAGES AGAINST THE CAMDEN AND AMBOY RAILROAD.

George Clarence Carpenter vs. The Camden and Amboy Railroad Company.—This action is one of three commenced in September, 1870, to recover damages for injuries received in July of that year. It appears that plaintiff is a little boy, who, in company with his mother, his grandmother and a little baby, was passing at the station at Burlington, N. J., to come to New-York. It is alleged that after the above-named parties had got on the platform the train started off in a sudden jerk, the sudden shock threw plaintiff and his grandmother off the cars. Plaintiff fell with one hand across the track and the wheels of the train passed over the outstretched hand. The grandmother also sustained serious injuries, although not so severe as those which were inflicted on her grandson. Three actions have been commenced against the Company, one on behalf of the child, for $50,000 damages, another by his grandmother to recover $5,000 damages, and the third by plaintiff's father, to recover some damages for the loss of services of his child.

FOREIGN MARKETS.

LONDON, Feb. 2—11½ A. M.—Consols opened at 91½ for money, and 91½@91½ for the account. American Securities quiet. United States 5-20s, 1867, opened at 91½, and closed at 91½@91½. 10-40s opened at 91½, and closed at 91½@91½. Erie, 7s, 1871, 91½@91½. Erie, 7s, 1875, 91½@91½. Illinois Central, 7s, 1875, 91½@91½. Pennsylvania Central, 7s, 1875, 91½@91½. Pennsylvania Central, 7s, 1875, 91½@91½. Pennsylvania

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TRIPLE SHEET.

NEW-YORK, SATURDAY, FEB. 3, 1872.

Amusements This Evening.

BOOTH'S THEATRE.—JULIUS CÆSAR—Mr. Edwin Booth. Matinée at 2.

OLYMPIC THEATRE.—HUMPTY DUMPTY—Mr. G. H. Fox and Emily Soldene. Matinée at 2.

FIFTH-AVENUE THEATRE.—DOMBEY AND SON—Lucille Western and Company. Matinée at 2½.

NIBLO'S GARDEN.—THE BLACK CROOK—Miss Kate Reignolds. Matinée at 2.

WALLACK'S THEATRE.—JOSEPH GARIE—Mr. Lester Wallack.

GRAND OPERA-HOUSE.—ATHLETIC GYMNASTICS and ARGENTINE FAIRIES. Matinée at 2 o'clock.

ST. JAMES THEATRE.—MORALIS—Mr. J. S. McKeever and Miss Grevers.

LINA EDWIN'S THEATRE.—THE BEGGAR MAID—Lina Edwin. Matinée at 2 o'clock—HANSEL BLEUE—Miss Alice and M. Mon.

UNION-SQUARE THEATRE.—VARIETY PERFORMANCE.

THIRTY-FOURTH-STREET THEATRE.—VARIETY ENTERTAINMENT.

WOOD'S MUSEUM.—DRAMATIC PERFORMANCES AND CURIOSITIES—Afternoon and Evening.

NEW-YORK CIRCUS.—EQUESTRIAN, GYMNASTIC AND ATHLETIC FEATS.

BEYANT'S OPERA-HOUSE.—NEGRO MINSTRELSY—FARCES.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC.—CONCERT OF THE PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY. Matinée at 1½ o'clock—DON JUAN—Miss Anna Eisner and Mme. Fabbri.

ASSOCIATION HALL.—Matinée at 2½ o'clock—Concert—Mr. Welsh, Mr. Bowler and Miss Isabella Stone.

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The House Committee on Cities has given another proof of its title to the confidence of the people by reporting the charter of the Committee of Seventy with no important amendments. We have already shown that the principle on which that charter is based is one that promises a just, honest, and efficient government for the City. This view is sustained by the report of a committee of unusually able and trustworthy men, selected with reference to their competency to judge of this particular matter. The charter now is in the hands of the Assembly, and on that body rests the responsibility of dealing with it. We hope it will do so promptly and fairly, and in a way to completely reverse the feeling that has been awakened with reference to its sincerity in reform. The great body of the people of New-York are represented in a peculiarly effective manner by the Committee of Seventy, and are willing to try the measure of relief which that Committee has worked up. They do not ask the Legislature to waive its own right to judge in the matter, but they do ask that full weight shall be given to the considerations that tell so strongly for the Committee's suggestions. The favorable report is a long step toward successful reform. Let us go the remainder of the way as soon as possible.

The memorial of the Bar Association, with reference to the Judiciary of this City, has been presented to the Assembly by Mr. ALVORD. TOM FIELDS made a pathetic appeal to the "gray hairs" of Mr. ALVORD, but Mr. ALVORD replied in a very forcible manner, and earned the thanks of the community by the honest stand he has taken on the question. If Mr. ALVORD should turn out to be one of the most useful reformers in the Legislature, there will be none more prompt or more delighted to acknowledge his services than ourselves.

We have still another step in advance to record. Col. HAWKINS introduced, yesterday, a bill for correcting the notorious abuses incidental to the present Quarantine system of the port—that system which is driving away our commerce and discomfiting merchants, and which is profitable only to Dr. CARNOCHAN. The bill has been carefully prepared under the advice of experienced persons, and ought to pass. Altogether, the Legislature made a good day's work of it yesterday.

Up till yesterday we had no idea what a new business in the running of street cars. The unfortunate companies, who were at great pains and expense to procure charters from the Legislature to give them the privilege of laying railroad tracks in the streets, have been met flatly by the Secretary of the Tax Commissioners in public broadsides, who have been running themselves hoarse [illegible]

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[illegible] from "placemen" and the opposition to the Tory Party arose from a reluctance to oppose the Government. It was clear, and that he was only awaiting [illegible] side of the Ministry, he would [illegible] side of Mr. Disraeli's supporters. His speech at Liverpool [illegible] merely analyzed this question. It was [illegible] for more. It has [illegible] when Mr. Disraeli [illegible] getting in some [illegible] will be the Tory chief. Undoubtedly, then, this speech is a very important event in his party. Those who were sitting following in petticoat government will be apt to attribute the present move to its influence. Lady DERBY, to whom he has not long been married, is a woman of considerable ability and strong conservative tendencies. Her cousin, the Marquis of SALISBURY, has the subtlest intellect and most incisive tongue in the House of Lords. When Secretary of State for India, he was deemed by the permanent officers of the India Office, by far the ablest administrator who had directed the affairs of that Empire within their recollection, and he, too, is the Tory husband of a Tory lady, of extraordinary social and political ability—the daughter of the eminent Senior Wrangler, Judge ALDERSON—who aspires to a place in the world of London such as has not been held by any woman since the days of GEORGIANA, Duchess of Devonshire. "What our party wants is a woman," said DISRAELI to a well-known Peeress. Lady SALISBURY intends to supply the vacancy.

The executive team with which Mr. GLADSTONE starts for the work of another session, is as weak as ever, and only a very strongly-supported driver could get along with it; but such a majority as he can command in the House of Commons, enables him to work with inferior tools, if he will only condescend to a little tact, in which he is deplorably deficient. His difficulty lies with lukewarm Liberals and Irish Roman Catholics. The former are, unless skillfully managed, terribly apt to fall into Tory pitfalls, while the latter might fail at a critical moment under superior orders from the head-quarters at Dublin. If these could be alienated at the same time, the Conservatives would win; but the difficulty is to find a common ground of alienation, and here is Mr. GLADSTONE's strength.

A source of weakness to the Conservatives is, and has long been, their very rare tenure of office of late years. There are in England, as elsewhere, a large number of men of more or less influence and respectability, who are intent on their own interest and aggrandizement, and extremely reluctant to belong to a party from which they have no prospect of deriving personal advantage. Wealthy Baronets who want peerages are mortified to see Whigs of very inferior pretensions, so far as fortune and family go, passed over their heads; and loyal men of acknowledged position, see, with natural chagrin, those unquestionably inferior hoisted above them, as a reward for party services. When the Tories want out last time, the Irish Government committed some of the most outrageous jobs ever perpetrated, in one instance so flagrant as to draw down the censure of the Chief-Justice, himself a Tory. But little was said or done about the matter, and the excuses privately offered, "When shall we have a chance again?" were pretty generally accepted as an adequate apology.

It cannot be doubted that these considerations have affected many men, and although they might not pledge themselves to a thick and thin support of the present Government, yet they lean far more to its side than to the other, and contribute in no slight degree to its support. Were the Government presently to be defeated, and Mr. GLADSTONE "to go to the country," as the expression for dissolving Parliament is, there would, in all probability be a considerable accession to the Tory side of the House. The members of the present Government have proved themselves very indifferent administrators, especially as regards the navy, which is, and ever has been, the people's pet service; and again, the reaction for royalty, caused by the Prince's illness, would create a leaning in many minds toward a Tory Government; but still the Tories, though able, perhaps, in such a case to modify still more than at present the action of the Government, would not have influence enough in the House of Commons to make a lasting Government.

Frauds in Life Insurance.

We have more than once expressed our opinion that if the life insurance companies would prosecute criminally those who perpetrate a fraud upon them, they would be relieved of the apparent necessity of contesting so many losses. A case which has recently been tried in Bucks County, Pennsylvania, and which resulted in the conviction of one of the persons concerned in the fraud, shows that it only needs a little vigor on the part of the companies to secure successful results. OLIVER J. STIRK and OWEN GROOM were indicted for forgery and conspiracy to defraud the Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company. In September, 1869, STIRK applied to the Company, through its agent, GROOM, for a policy of five thousand dollars on the life of Mrs. STIRK. The usual application was forwarded, and, as it showed an insurable life, the policy was issued and transmitted to GROOM, but Mrs. STIRK died before it was actually delivered to STIRK. STIRK first brought a civil action to recover the sum insured, but was beaten, and the Company, instead of being content with thus saving their money, caused the arrest and indictment of STIRK and GROOM. The latter forfeited his bail and ran away, but the former stood his trial. The Company then proved the following state of facts: STIRK, on the day he went to GROOM to apply for the policy, stated to a witness that he was going to get a policy, which he was anxious to do, as his wife was sick. He frequently said he didn't think she would live long, and on one occasion asked a witness to buy a cigar, saying he was getting an insurance on his wife's life, that it would be [illegible]

[illegible] told him she could survive, he wrote her name, and said it is not the paper he didn't care if his wife died the next day. This witness much was cross-examined for the application for the policy. It was shown by four physicians that at various times, from 1867 to February, 1869, they had attended Mrs. STIRK; that she was sick most of the time with a cough and the symptoms of incipient lungs; that as early as 1867 she complained of spitting blood; about from Sept. 20, 1868, to Jan. 20, 1869, she was constantly attended by a physician; she had a severe diarrhœa; one lung was nearly gone, and the other diseased; she finally died on Feb. 21, 1869, of inflammation of the bowels and peritonitis, to which she yielded the more readily from the condition of her system.

The physician whose name was affixed to the medical certificate sent with the application, swore that he never signed or wrote any part of it; that he believed it was in the handwriting of GROOM, the agent; that he had once examined Mrs. STIRK, as a woman represented to be her, and made out a certificate, which he gave to GROOM, but it was not the one sent to the Company. A similar application to the Berkshire Life Insurance Company was also proved. It was, moreover, shown that, just prior to the civil suit on the policy, STIRK offered the physician five hundred dollars if he would testify in his favor. Attempts of GROOM to persuade the Company to pay the policy, and declarations that he would have five thousand dollars from the Company, or two thousand five hundred dollars, for the policy were also shown. Mrs. STIRK's signature to the application was shown not to be genuine. In defense, it was shown that a certificate admitted by the physician to be genuine, and that the genuineness of which he denied, were identical in language, and that, when examined for insurance for the Equitable Company, in December, 1867, Mrs. STIRK was in good health. Upon this evidence, the jury found STIRK guilty, and he was sentenced to six years and four months imprisonment.

We wish more of our Life Insurance Companies would follow the example thus set them by the Massachusetts Mutual. They owe it to themselves and their honest policy-holders to promptly prosecute, criminally, every well-authenticated case of fraud. They ought not to rest content with escaping the payment of the immediate risk; but ought, by prosecution and punishment, to make it known that something more than a mere failure to obtain money will follow any fraud upon them. Such a course will, at first, cost them some trouble and some money, but they can invest none which will so surely earn them compound interest, in a ratio above all calculations known to actuaries, as money invested in this way.

Death on the Rail.

Within a week three railway accidents, involving great suffering and painful loss of life, have occurred in this State and in Pennsylvania, from the same cause, viz., broken rails. This is said to be a danger which in extremely cold weather is always imminent, and which no human care or foresight can avert. Perhaps in a majority of cases, extraordinary precautions might, at such times, greatly lessen the risk. But, admitting this class of accidents to be altogether unavoidable, they were aggravated in two of the cases referred to by an additional calamity, for which there appears to be no such excuse. Both the Lehigh Valley and the Philadelphia and Erie trains, which were alike thrown down embankments, were set on fire by the red-hot stoves in the cars. By this added misfortune at least one or two lives were lost that might have otherwise been saved.

Now it is astounding that in the face of repeated and dreadful warnings, railway companies should be permitted to persist in the present dangerous and criminal method of heating their cars. Either New-Hamburg, or Carr's Rock, it might have been thought, would have sufficed to enforce a reform. But no. The traveling public read of these horrors with a shudder, and then go on meekly offering themselves as possible holocausts to the spirit of corporate despotism. Rather than run so hideous a risk, it would be far better that the cars should not be heated at all. Furs and shawls would keep the traveler tolerably comfortable. Or, if not, a little discomfort might well be borne in consideration of the increased security against the most horrible of mischances.

But even this sacrifice is probably not at all necessary. A little care and extra expense would give us cars comfortably warmed and sufficiently secure against peril of fire. If we do not mistake, the Pullman cars in use on the Pacific Road give the desired model. In these the heating apparatus is inclosed in a compartment at one end of the car, which is or ought to be metal-lined and fire-proof, and from this steam pipes extend around the floor of the car, giving a pleasant and equable heat. Of course, even here there is the risk that in a collision the fire-proof compartment might be broken, or the steam-pipes burst, and the passengers thus be put at the mercy of their old enemy. But it is certain that the danger would be very much less than it is at present, and with iron cars it would certainly be reduced to the minimum. Perhaps in some some means may even be devised of heating a train by waste steam from the locomotive. In any event, ordinary prudence and humanity demand that the Railway companies should adopt greater safeguards than are at present in use against this danger. And as they are unlikely to do anything of their own motion, they should be compelled to do it by legislative action.

Politics on the Stage.

The refusal of the Lord Chamberlain, or of Mr. WILLIAM BOTHAM BOWES, to permit allusions to dramas, to political celebrities, continues to excite much talk in London. It is generally thought that the prohibition is absurd, and that there is no more reason why Mr. LOWE or Mr. GLADSTONE should be [illegible] [illegible] death in that sphere [illegible] by the directly from the stage [illegible] that be, and surely it [illegible] cion discrimination to let the [illegible] say practically what they will, and to [illegible] the theatre. If it is said that such comment, even adverse comment, is much [illegible] but that it is not such for the rulers of the people to be turned into ridicule, we have [illegible] to refer to French [illegible] pictures of Lord JOHN RUSSELL, of Mr. DISRAELI and of Lord PALMERSTON are historical, and certainly it has never hesitated to [illegible] when so minded, quite as freely as would be possible to a dramatist, and is quite as large an audience as would be put in a playhouse.

As we pointed out the other day, the absurdity of this prohibition derives fresh emphasis from the fact that in other European capitals—capitals, too, of countries not having representative or stable Governments—an opposite practice is freely allowed. "Le Bas Canaille," at Paris, burlesques everybody, right and left, from the Emperor downward. Of course NAPOLEON III. may be safely depicted as a "licked rollish," or anything else just now; but M. THIERS comes in for a share in the fun, and so do Mlle POUTTER-QUESTIER and GAMBETTA. At Berlin they are running "An Hour With Prince Bismarck" with great acceptance, and as the Berlin correspondent who tells us of it, couples his announcement with the statement that the Aristophanic spirit has found its way to the Berlin theatre, we infer that the comedy named is not destitute of satiric humor. The same writer, in truth, explains how it is that politics on the stage are not the exception at Berlin, but almost the rule. BISMARCK himself being pachydermatous, the lesser magnates dare not be thin-skinned. "They do not mind being mentioned on the stage," he remarks "or even being personated by the actors. You sometimes see them sitting in the stalls and laughing at their own portraits." It is hard to see why SARDOU and SCHWARTZ should do in Paris and Berlin what Mr. BYRON or Mr. BUCKSTONE may not do in London. Surely the political leaders of England are not made of such delicate clay that they cannot stand being laughed at. Even the tyrants of Greece and Rome tolerated that upon occasion, and we imagine the usage of the Lord Chamberlain's office will not long withstand the adverse drift of public opinion.

MINOR TOPICS.

Mr. JAMES F. PIERCE informs us that the safe furnished him by Mr. JAMES McB. DAVIDSON was bought in the regular way of business, and with the understanding that it should be paid for. Mr. PIERCE adds that he requested, when he bought the safe, that a bill should be sent to him for the same; that the bill not being sent he repeated his request on several occasions; and that a bill was at last sent to him, and that he means to pay it. We willingly give place to Mr. PIERCE's explanation, and hope he will take care hereafter not to be caught in bad company.

The latest theory about the Tichborne case is of "spiritual" origin. It assumes that the pseudo Sir ROGER is in fact ARTHUR ORTON, the Wapping butcher—or rather that he was ORTON, but that he has been "psychologized" by the spirit of the real TICHBORNE, who went down in the *Bella*, and who objects to the disposition of the property that results from his death. Thus, being "possessed" by that person, ORTON is to all intents and purposes TICHBORNE, and yet, in point of material fact, he isn't. The witnesses who swear to his identity, are, of course, likewise all "psychologized," and are all perfectly sincere and entirely mistaken. It can hardly be possible that Sir J. D. COLERIDGE, the Attorney-General, can have been made acquainted with this plausible hypothesis when he made his opening speech the other day; but he has, he would hardly have stigmatized the claimant as "a conspirator, a perjurer, a forger, an impostor and a liar," epithets clearly inapplicable to a "psychologized" mortal, however nearly they may be adapted to the character of the prisoner.

Mr. CHARLES READE is in hot water again. It seems that the "Elephantiasis" bit after him once more, and fierce is his wrath thereat. The chief offender this time is "George Eliot" in her new serial. As between a gentleman when dealing with a lady Mr. READE does not say the fair novelist "steals," or even that she "conveys" his ideas; he asserts, with extreme moderation, that she "borrows" them. This exposition is printed in *Once a Week*, and on a first and hasty examination Mr. READE's case looks very strong. So many points of similarity are cited, that it is hard to believe them altogether accidental. But on the other hand, the allegation is so intrinsically improbable that we could only assent to it on overwhelming evidence. "George Eliot," in the literary and creative sense, is far more fit to be a lender than a borrower, and it is almost inconceivable that a person of her strong brain should be guilty of the offense attributed to her.

A workman, who has been for many years in the employ of the Great Western Railway of Canada, has invented a signal system for locomotives, which, from its simplicity, promises to be effective service in preventing collisions. It contemplates a conversion of the white light now carried as the head of the engine, to a red one, by means of a red oil-silk shade so disposed in the top of the lamp as to allow the engineer to unfold or roll it up instantly with the aid of a line. It is also intended that the number of each train shall be painted in large figures upon a red and placed in front of the head-light, so that when locomotives are approaching each other the engineers may be able to tell at a glance if they are acting according to instructions from head-quarters. At the present time, most of the collisions occur through the inability of the engineers to distinguish whether approaching trains are on or off the main track. The new system requires that the red light shall be displayed whenever a doubt exists in the mind of an engineer. If such a light had been at the command of poor "Dod" SIMMONS, on the night of the terrible disaster at New-Hamburg, scores of families would have been spared the necessity of bewailing the untimely death of cherished ones.

The official organ of the Government at St. Petersburg translates with significant alacrity the construction put on the Czar's late speech, at the festival of St. George, by the German Press. That speech has been construed [illegible]

[illegible] on the occasion of Germany and especially from France. The Czar, on the contrary, [illegible] Russian Power [illegible] "peace" [illegible] that Russia [illegible] interest in interfering in European affairs, she [illegible] as little to act as a bulwark against France; and ends with the pointed assertion that Russia and Germany can only remain friends so long as the latter Power shall not give the Slavonians any ground for hostility. This interpretation from St. Petersburg is highly important, and seems to show that the clever Minister at Berlin has for once overshot his mark. He has apparently been driven on their last sought to take us off, and the article of the Novoe is probably inspired, not so much by the comments on the Czar's speech, as by the course of the Russian diplomacy that has followed it.

Jealousy of Paris has been manifested of late in the French provinces, in many strange ways. The last, and one of the most devised, has just been told us by the cable. It has been proposed that the gaming-tables, which are to be shut out of Germany at the end of the year, should have refuge offered them in Paris. The plan was to license gambling, and encourage its practice on a large scale, so as to attract visitors to that capital, and pay a heavy tax to the Government. We now hear that the people of the French watering-places have no idea of letting Paris monopolize this golden privilege without a struggle. "The Syndicates of Aix, Vichy, Plombières and Bareges have petitioned the Government for the abrogation of the law against public gambling, and offer forty million francs per annum for the privilege of licensing gambling establishments at these watering-places." So runs the telegraph, and thus it seems that unlucky Paris, deprived of her Court, and taxed to the extremest point of endurance, is threatened with the deprivation of the sole ray of prospective comfort her journalists have been able to devise for her. To be sure, the Government may profit all the same by the faro and roulette tables, whether their allurements are offered on the sea-shore or at the spas, but this will not help the Parisian shopkeepers, or bring back plenty and gaiety to the deserted boulevards.

We publish today another article in the series descriptive of "Our State Institutions." The *Pall Mall Gazette* makes the following comments on the article published a few weeks ago, on the prison at Sing Sing:

"The gentleman commissioned by the NEW-YORK TIMES to visit and report upon the State Institutions" literally spares no pains in the accomplishment of his duty. The last institution visited is the prison of Sing Sing, and in the course of his inspection the reporter arrived at the punishment-room. He discovered that there are five modes of punishment in vogue at Sing Sing—the 'dark cell,' the 'ball and chain,' the 'collar and crown,' the 'back knocker,' and the 'thumb pulley.' The latter instrument, we all by the jailer as the worst form of punishment, the enterprising reporter determined to have its effect tried upon himself, in order that he might better be able to describe prison life in Sing Sing. At his request, the jailer produced about a foot of stout whip-cord, with a slip-knot at either end, and putting the reporter's thumbs in the loops, drew the knot taut below the first joint. The cord was then hung on a hook attached to the end of a rope which dangled from a pulley in the ceiling, and the simple preparations were complete. The signal was given, and a powerful dowlas seized the rope and hoisted the enterprising reporter up by the thumbs till his toes barely touched the ground. After this hanging five seconds, the whole weight of his body dragging on his thumbs, he 'requested to be let down.' It came to pass, he says, nothing over his experience, 'that my thumbs and the tough sinews on the inside of the wrist were being drawn out. I felt that my arms must leave the shoulder sockets.' The reporter is enabled subsequently to write strongly in favor of the abolition of 'this hellish torture.' It is, however, clear, rather on a favorable index of comparison with the authorities at Sing Sing, for in the last official report of the inspectors of State Prisons the following item appears under the heading 'Exhibit of punishments during the year'—'Pulled, 208.' This gives an average of practically four prisoners 'pulled' every week throughout the year, at the short notice of the State of New-York."

A CALL FOR REFORM.

The Citizens' Anti-Monopoly Association—The One and Refined Questions Discussed—The Halls Demanded for the People.

A meeting was held at Masonic Hall last night to organize opposition against the gas companies, and to agitate other reforms to benefit the condition of the working classes. The hall was crowded, and its temper seemed to be unanimous for reform and the overthrow of all Rings. THEODORE H. TOMLINSON was chosen Chairman, and E. M. HUSSEY, Secretary. A permanent organization was effected, with the name of the "Citizens' Anti-Monopoly Association," the object of which shall be to compel the Legislature to reform the gas service of the present administration, to run the City railroads for the convenience of the public, and to throw open the public buildings at night for peaceable assemblages of citizens to discuss public questions, in order that the science of government may be better understood by the working classes, and their intellectual condition improved. Mr. TOMLINSON made a forcible speech, in which he explained the questions at issue, and urged united action for reform. He was followed by E. M. HUSSEY, Col. DERBY, P. DAVIS, THEODORE BANKS, Grand Master of the Lodge of Painters, and others. The following preamble and resolutions were unanimously adopted:

"Whereas, A resolution introduced in the Board of Aldermen of the City of New-York, memorializing the Legislature of the State of New-York to repeal an act authorizing certain gas companies to lay their pipes in the streets of the City north of the center line of Seventy-sixth-street, including all Central Park, and the repeal of said act will require the adjustment of all legal and equitable claims arising therefrom by the companies formed under said act; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty are authorized to adjust such claims, and to cancel such leases as, in their wisdom, may deem expedient to enable the City to supply its citizens with gas at cost.

Resolved, That we respectfully request and instruct our Senators and members of Assembly to introduce in the Legislature an act that will enable this City, under such regulations as the honorable Legislature may deem proper, to supply its citizens with gas.

A petition to the Legislature embodying the objects of the meeting was circulated in the Hall and numerously signed.

The Democratic Republicans—Abrogation of the Office of Mayor Asked For.

A special meeting of the Tammany Republican Executive Committee was held last evening. The following resolution, proposed by Col. WILLIS at the general meeting Wednesday evening, was referred to the Executive Committee, and was adopted:

Whereas, We, the General Committee, representing the Republican Party of the City of New-York, will shortly be called upon to consider a Municipal Government, that, if it is to be worthy of the name, should be organized on a Republican basis; and whereas, the office of Mayor, which was created by the Democrats of Aldermen, TWEED, CONOLLY and SWEENY, and HALL, still retains, under chance of our people, the historic position of Mayor

Resolved, That we do not believe that the Republican Party that measures should be forever instituted by the Democrats, and that the Mayor, Aldermen and the Common Council be requested to take some early action in the premises.

Also the following:

Resolved, That the Legislature be requested forthwith to abrogate the office of Mayor, until otherwise provided by law, and devolve the duties of the office on the Corporation Counsel, who shall be continually responsible, and further,

Resolved, That a copy of the preamble and resolution be sent to the members of the Common Council and the members of the Legislature.

Judge Shellabarger's Charge.

The Grand Jury was in session yesterday and examined a number of witnesses and officers. Among them was Mr. Hall, Assistant Engineer, Ex-Judge FULLERTON, Chas. O'CONOR, and Gen. BIRLEW visited District-Attorney GARVIN in the morning. It was rumored that Messrs. G. FIELDS, HARRY GREEN and J. McB. DAVIDSON would be indicted under a number of counts. It is probable that the Grand Jury will wait for a further extension of time today.

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ANNALS OF FRANCE.

Remains of a Lady Murdered—Murder of Gendarme Firmenon—Remains of the Murdered Priest—Prussian Outrages—The Trial of Rochefort—Other Trials.

From Our Own Correspondent.

PARIS, Friday, Jan. 19, 1872.

Another German soldier has been murdered at Lallenville, and the assassin has been arrested. The case CERNEUX, who committed the deed, did beyond the military jurisdiction, and was heard of on the road leading to Switzerland. A detachment of this office was sent out to Versailles, saying that his extradition would be demanded under a certain clause of the treaty, and sufficient information was given to guide the French Police in thinking the man, and to identifying him as the assassin. I do not know that a word can be put in italics when sent by telegraph, but no one who has read Fabien Fabiancy's dispatch to Count ARNIM, and the debates in the German Parliament, can fail to lay a marked emphasis upon this word "demanded," or to understand the deep significance of it. One can imagine the quiet, solemn, determined and half menacing manner in which it was pronounced when the dispatch was dictated. At Versailles there was no kind of mistake about it, no hesitation, no assuming the sequence, or a hopeless for delay. It was then—as now—the Protocols of all the Eastern Departments had read the description of the assassin; "hunt and enclose" was the word along the border; gendarmes rode out in hot haste, and all of the servants of the Government hotened to a zeal which could scarcely have been expected in such a cause. It was not long ere CERNEUX fell into the hands of the patrol. Trials were no objections raised, or technical difficulties of any kind, and the German military commander was speedily notified that, as soon as formality dismissed, the man arrested as CERNEUX, the assassin, would be subject to extradition. I do not know the sequel, but presume that thanks were sent for this prompt action on the part of the French authorities, with the notification that the proper legal steps would be taken, and a guard sent to receive the prisoner. All this shows the effect of that severe dispatch, and goes a long way toward an excuse for its seeming brutality. The Paris journals make no comments upon the affair, either one way or the other, and are content to give the usual telegrams of the "Agence Havas" without remark. I should not like to affirm that the feeling would last a very long time, but for the moment it is evident that both the Government and the journalists are convinced that the Germans must protect their troops, and that the army of occupation still has the power to punish promptly and severely.

GOSSIP OF THE DAY.

The news of today does not take a very wide range, but what there is of it may be called interesting and important. The discussion of the Budget and of the tax upon raw materials is still going on, and growing more and more heated and embittered. At Versailles the trial of the assassins of Le Roquette drags along slowly, but not unpleasantly. A case of less importance, perhaps, but one of interest to Americans, is now before one of the Tribunals of the Seine; two more journals have been suppressed upon the highway; "La Bas Canaille" is holding brilliant court at the Gaiety, and the city is full of mad, curious rumors, and the Emperor of Brazil. "In the times when rue"—to be more literal than liberal in the use of the common French expression—it is not easy to say which of these topics has the preference, for they are indiscriminately mixed in our daily gossip, and treated, as I must treat them here, in the *currente calamo* fashion, and with the momentary anticipation that some startling bit of news, like a tile from a roof, may fall down upon our heads. The peculiar amount of interest attached to each item must, of course, depend very much upon the person who reads it, and to his habits, tastes, and calling. Journalists will be vexed to learn that the *Gaulois* and the *Constitution* have fallen under the ban, and that the sale of these journals has been forbidden upon the streets; politicians and political economists will attach great importance to the debate upon the Budget, and to the singular declaration of M. THIERS that "all foreign nations had discarded the unjust tax upon incomes, and adopted the tax upon raw material." The assertion is general and vague, and I have no idea what foreign nations have done so, or of the authority upon which it was based.

THE CASE OF "LA CONSTITUTION."

About the *Constitution* I have only a few words to say. It is Radical Republican, and was formerly, as I have already informed you, the *Ferlet*. I have had occasion to write of it several times. Some of my readers may recall my letters of more than a year ago giving an account of the quarrel between M. EMILE PICARD, of the *Siècle Libre*, and the capitalist of the concern, M. EDOUARD PORTALIS (he filled a California girl with a handsome dot. He is of an old and aristocratic noble family, but a rabid Red Republican. At first M. PICARD had need of M. PORTALIS' money, but after becoming Secretary of Finance, it is to be presumed that he had power enough of his own to run a newspaper, for he quarrelled with M. PORTALIS, who started the *Ferlet*. It was one of the two or three journals allowed to exist during the Commune, why, can be easily inferred. It was suppressed after the "days of June," but in its place appeared the *Constitution*. It was the same journal with a new heading, how obtained I have already told you. This paper sustained Victor Hugo in the last election, and has been very severe when M. THIERS, scouring his daily of a desire to betray the Republic. It takes the ground that the President is merely an Orleanist in disguise—hardly in disguise—and working in the interests of the ORLEANS family. The idea of this decree is to injure these journals financially, and to stop their increasing influence and circulation. It has long been claimed that the only contest now possible is between the Radicals and the Bonapartists, and if newspaper circulation is any test, there must be some truth in this idea, for it is clearly shown that the *Gaulois*, *L'Ordre* and *Constitutionnel* are rapidly sinking, as well as the Radical journals, while the Monarchist journals are dropping behind as rapidly.

THE TRIAL OF EX-CONSUL PLACE.

Of the trial at Versailles for the massacre of the hostages, I have little to say, for the matter cannot be given in a word, and I prefer to await the end. And so with the second trial of which I spoke, and which is nearly concluded. As I have already given a portion of the affair of Consul-General PLACE, and shown how weak was his defense outside the system adopted by him of abusing his opponents, I feel bound to carry it to the end, which I probably can do in one more letter. I may say here that M. PLACE's brother, the Bishop of Marseilles, is in Court daily, and is watching the whole force of clerical influence so best to prevent a conviction. M. PLACE has taken back his charge against Col. FOQUIER, but he has some heavy blows of many other persons, as well as of the customs and habits of the people of New-York. To Americans in Paris this case is of great interest, and it is hoped that we may have the end of it shortly. Yesterday, at Versailles, Counsel were positively told it was not Fromentin who gave the order to fire upon the Archbishop and the other hostages, but one VARIN, who has been already shot. This contradicts Fromentin's story. All the witnesses say the officer had a full beard. VARIN did have, but Fromentin has not, and is upon the side of his face, and never had. Although this charge seems to be dropped, there are others quite serious enough to hang him, or to shoot him; and as for FRANCONIE and GERVOIS, it is a "done case" certainly that they will have a short shrift at factory.

ASHBY.

The Anglo-American Telegraph Cables.

A circular has been received in this City from the Secretary of the Anglo-American Telegraph Company, Mr. JOHN GRANT, relative to the 1866 and 1869 cables, in which he says: "I have the pleasure to inform you that the defect of insulation has reported to my circular of the 12th inst. has been found, from a series of tests conducted by Mr. WILLOUGHBY SMITH to be in the land portion of the cables near the Irish side, and that the faults can in consequence be remedied without difficulty, and at a moderate expense."

ANOTHER CHAPTER ON SAFES.

Some More Claims upon City Bounty Burglar-Proof Safes for Ring Savings Banks—Transactions that Require Explanation—A Safe for New-Orleans—How Tammany Politicians Curtailed Their Expenditures.

We present today another batch of the data furnished to private persons, which figure in McBride Davenport's bills against the City. The enormous Twed items in, of course, for the last-named, the late Chas. B. $2,500 worth of safes (in addition to $2,775 worth sent to the Tweed family in 1870-71) having been furnished to him during the period covered by the subjoined statement.

It will be observed that the City is debited with two safes ($4,000) and one letter-press ($20) supplied to the Bowling-green Savings Bank. As will be noted from a statement in another column, these safes were reckoned by Hank Smith among the assets of the bank, while, two days ago, McBride Davenport is expected to have sent in a bill to the bank for this identical $4,000 worth of goods furnished in 1868 and 1869. The curious question, therefore, comes whether these safes belong to the City, which seems to have paid for them, to the bank depositors among whose assets they are, or to McBride Davenport, who claims, apparently, not to have got his money either from the bank or the City, albeit he sent bills to both.

The Guardian and Yorkville Savings Banks seem to have been fortunate enough to secure safes without paying for them. What equivalent these institutions gave for this exhibition of Ring bounty might, perhaps, be discovered by an inspection of their list of call loans.

As in the list published on Thursday, there are probably names in the following statement to whom Davenport's books do unmerited injury. As before, we shall, of course, give due publicity to any exculpatory statements which these parties may send us.

1866.		
Aug. 4	To 1 No. 1 Safe.....E. A. Woodward.....	$100 00
1867.		
May 31	To 1 small House Safe.....R. B. Connolly.....	75 00
Oct. 25	To 1 No. 3 T. F. Safe and Cartage, corner Centre and Pearl streets.....Walter Roach.....	200 00
1868.		
Feb. 10	To 1 Round-corner Parlor Safe and Cartage, sent to No. 3 West Thirty-fourth-street.....Geo. B. McLean.....	525 00
June 27	To 1 No. 4 House Safe and Cartage, sent to Greenwich-street.....Wm. M. Tweed.....	100 00
July 16	To 1 Oblong Safe and Cartage.....Judge Hogan.....	475 00
Aug. 12	To 1 No. 2 T. T. Safe and Cartage, sent to No. 116 Varick-street, per order of E. A. Woodward.....Michael Norton.....	250 00
Sept. 4	To 1 Extra-made Burglar and Fire-proof Safe and Cartage, and putting in same.....Bowl'g-green Sav'gs Bk.	2,300 00
Sept. 21	To 1 No. 4 House Safe and Cartage, sent to No. 105 West Fifteenth-street.....James H. Ingersoll.....	120 00
Oct. 2	To 1 Round-corner Parlor Safe, top and slab.....R. B. Connolly.....	1,350 00
Oct. 3	To 1 No. 3 D. F. Safe and Cartage, (No. 337 West Fifteenth-street).....Daniel Whalen.....	150 00
Oct. 3	To 1 extra large Parlor Safe and Cartage.....Wm. M. Tweed.....	1,800 00
Oct. 17	To 1 No. 4 Safe and Cartage.....Thos. H. Banker.....	115 00
Oct. 21	To 1 No. 2 T. F. Safe and Cartage.....Geo. W. Batts.....	250 00
Nov. 14	To 1 No. 1 House Safe and Cartage.....Thos. H. Banker.....	140 00
Nov. 14	To Moving Safe.....Thos. H. Banker.....	10 00
Dec. 4	To 1 Extra-made No. 12 Burglar and Fire-proof Safe and Extra Locks, including Cartage and putting in.....Guardian Savings Bk.	2,050 00
Dec. 8	To 1 Letter Press.....Bowling Gn. Sav. Bk.	20 00
Dec. 14	To 1 small House Safe, Marble-top, sent to No. 41 West Thirty-sixth-street.....Wm. M. Tweed.....	240 00
1869.		
Jan. 12	To 1 small House Safe and Cartage, sent to No. 257 West Eleventh-street.....John Houghtaling.....	150 00
Jan. 12	To 1 small House Safe and Cartage, sent to No. 25 Olivet-street.....Thomas Coman.....	150 00
Jan. 21	To 1 No. 5 T. F. Safe and Cartage, sent to Orison Blunt.....E. A. Woodward.....	400 00
Jan. 27	To 1 Fancy Side-board Safe and Cartage, sent to M. McGinnis, New-Orleans, La.....Wm. M. Tweed.....	1,425 00
Feb. 1	To 1 Small House Safe and Cartage, No. 15 West Thirty-fourth-street.....Geo. B. McLean.....	125 00
Feb. 1	To 1 Small House Safe and Cartage.....Jos. B. Young.....	125 00
Feb. 1	To 1 Small House Safe and Cartage.....James Hays.....	135 00
Feb. 12	To 1 Small House Safe and Cartage, sent to James Barclay, No. 124 East Broadway.....Michael Norton.....	200 00
March 9	To 1 No. 7 T. F. Burglar-proof and Fire-proof Safe and Cartage, sent to Duane-street Office.....Wm. M. Tweed.....	575 00
March 23	To 1 extra large Parlor Safe and Cartage.....Geo. B. McLean.....	2,250 00
April 16	1 Oblong Safe and Cartage.....A. J. Garvey.....	225 00
April 20	To 1 No. 4 House Safe and Cartage, sent to Norwalk, Conn.....E. A. Woodward.....	115 00
April 23	To 1 No. 5 T. F. Safe and Cartage, sent to Norwalk, Conn.....E. A. Woodward.....	250 00
May 3	To 1 No. 4 Safe and Cartage, sent to No. 158 Broadway.....Cornelius Flynn.....	115 00
May 14	To 1 Side-board Safe and Cartage, sent to.....James O'Brien.....	1,250 00
May 17	To 1 Large Side-board Safe and Cartage.....John Fox.....	1,850 00
July 9	To 1 No. 4 House Safe and Cartage.....Joseph Sharnow.....	115 00
July 12	To 1 Oblong House Safe and Cartage.....Henry Genet.....	550 00
Aug. 28	To 1 No. 10 Burglar and Fire-proof Safe, extra made, Cartage and putting in.....Bowling Gn. Sav. Bk.	1,800 00
Sept. 1	To 1 No. 10 B. P. and Fire-proof Safe, extra made, Cartage and putting in.....Yorkville Savings Bk.	2,500 00
Dec. 20	To 1 House Safe, Marble-top, and Cartage, sent to No. 121 East Twenty-first-street.....T. J. Connolly.....	200 00
Dec. 20	To 1 No. 3 House Safe and Cartage, sent to No. 43 East Twenty-sixth-street.....Geo. B. McLean.....	420 00
Total.....		$30,151 00

DUTCH HENRICH CAUGHT.

The Notorious Murderer Accused of the Cedar-street Robbery Strangely Captured by the Detectives.

That notorious operator, CHARLES NEWMAN, but better known as Dutch Henrich, was arrested Thursday night by Sergt. Quinn, of the First District Police-court Squad, and arraigned yesterday, before Justice HOGAN, at the Tombs, on a charge of being concerned in a great bond robbery, which occurred in the office of J. S. KENNEDY & Co., No. 41 Cedar-street, on the 18th of January. On that day it is alleged that HENRICH and a confederate entered the office named and the latter engaged Mr. HENRY M. BAKER, one of the firm, in conversation relative to the purchase of some bonds which he desired to make. While this was going on HENRICH walked carelessly about the office, and occasionally was near a tin box containing securities of the value of $35,000. Mr. BAKER paid sufficient attention to the thief, who was, however, an entire stranger to him, to notice that he had a covering of oil-silk over one of his fingers, which he was continually rubbing. After buying bonds in the office without Henrich, two men, both of whom were strangers, making any purchases, and immediately afterward it was found that the tin box had disappeared with them. This box contained a promissory note, made by A. P. SMITH to the order of the firm, for $14,000 40, with twenty-three bonds of the Appleton and Non-Lendom Railroad Company. Not one of the bonds, which bore from $1,000 and being collateral for the payment of the note. In the place of the box was the oil-silk covering which had been seen on the finger of the wounded friend of the customer. Private detectives were at once put on the track of the thieves, and been given a description of the two men, it was decided that the man who had evidently picked up the box was the infamous HENRICH. After due deliberation over his discovery, a complaint was made before Police Justice HOGAN, a warrant was issued, and Henrich was finally apprehended. When arraigned he feigned well known of the affair, but being identified by the man who had walked about the office as the one concerned for trial. HENRICH was pointed out to a private detective named MALLON, just after the robbery, as the man who had committed, but nothing was taken of either bond or note. The detective added and successfully, that as long been endeared to pickpockets Wall and Broad streets, and pay upon the business community there with impunity, is a lasting disgrace to our Police. The Reviews of their inability to arrest him, it is said, for who does not know the fact that the whole department was aroused, when Sunside the result of his different degradations in the shape of fashionable and multiform attire, and sparkling diamonds, before breast circulated—but because, it is alleged, from every dollar stolen by him and his desperate gang the Bullet Detective Ring at Police Headquarters receive their share.

(It is clear that District-Attorney GARVIN may not have an excuse for not hastening HENRICH for trial; it will not be amiss to acquaint him with a few facts from the pages of HENRICH's history, which, perhaps, hastily, but nevertheless accurate. Perhaps after this there will be no excuse. See Mr. GARVIN to allow Dutch HENRICH to slip through on the only defense his confederates in crime can now invent for him—Sam. Weller's alibi.

Under the name of Henry Newman, at the outbreak of the war, he was arrested in this county for robbing a man of a gold watch, in a street-car in the City. His guilt being rather neglected, and his friends at that time not embracing many able (?) detectives, he was sent to the State Prison for five years. After finishing his term he again plied his avocation of picking pockets more skillfully, until he became much bolder, and meeting with CHAUNCEY JOHNSON, the noted pickpocket, made it clear that, in the United States, the two formed a coalition, which was the terror of the business men throughout the country. At one time, during the present year, under the name HENRICH, he pretend, made a Walloon, and quite Dolly, behind the bank in the presence of all the clerks, hitting up boxes containing 10,000 in gold that easily walked off with the money, and passed it to his confederate. This act was so well performed that the clerks of the bank were not aware of the theft, astonishment surprise at the thief's astounding impudence, the money was soon had disappeared, and after some struggle was captured. Instead of being sent to State Prison, as should have occurred, he was let off, after he had compromised by the thieves returning half the money stolen, and so HENRICH made his escape, the Prosecutor of the bank from which the robbery took place becoming his bondsman.

Not long after this he stole from the old bank of Brooklyn, about $21,000 in bonds at the corner of Fulton and Clinton streets, but this old man followed his cry, caught him, and gave a blow in chase of one of the Police officers, who joined with the Broadway squad. Here the question which was always displayed by him in recovering the proceeds of his thefts, to one of his confederates again came to the fore. The old bank of Brooklyn was not quite afraid to bother its big money vanished. At another time, while strolling on a during daylight, robbery in Kingsbury place, he escaped in the Court of General Sessions when a bank place, and turned out the Fifth Avenue Bank, for which crime, instead of be the state Prison for five years, he merely [illegible]

MARKET REFORM.

Important Statement of the Accompanists of Stalls.

A Change in the Rents in the Public Markets—Action of a Committee from the Various Markets—Interesting Mr. Green and Mr. Davis.

Under the notorious Ring management, to hold a stall in any of the principal public markets, was substantial security will no small task. You might have squatted the stall for an unlimited period, never have intruded a minute offensive, have always paid your rent regularly in advance, yet at a moment's notice you were liable to be turned out into the street, and see your premises given to another, whose only merit was that his political feelings were in accordance with those of the Ring. Was your building tumbling down about your ears, or had your landlord so increased in to require some improvement, even when you did it at your own expense; you were forced to pay a certain sum as a perfectly unlawful charge—for the privilege. Suppose you wished to give up your lease to another; without a semblance of right, before you could obtain a new permit, you were mulcted in a second sum, which varied with your means, but which invariably found its way into the pockets of those northern robbers who ruled the market. As to the condition of the market; take that of Washington Market as an example, it was filthy to a degree. It is true a certain charge was made, and paid to some one for keeping it clean, but no broom was ever seen to sweep it, and knee deep in mire, the victim and the tenants waded through heaps of decomposing animal and vegetable matter.

How it was possible that such a large, important and influential body of men as are represented by our New-York butchers, could have put up with this wretched condition of things, is hard to tell. Redress was impossible. The rules exhaustive fraud was as every-day occurrence, and yet they were forced to suffer. We may ask, how came it that all the citizens of New-York here, with the exception of beasts of burden, the heavy loads imposed on their backs? As was intimated in a former article, a change was to be made in the market. The task was no easy one. Abuses of the worst character had so much grown into the system, that it has taken much time to remedy these evils. Marketmen had been imposed on so long, that they were unwilling to believe that any remedy was at hand. One by one, however, unmasked proofs of venality were shown, the thieves in the former management were dropped, and this weeding out has been continued until the process is complete. Men doing business in the market breathe now the more freely with the assurance that their rights will be respected. A permit can now be had at almost any time, not after months of delay, as was formerly the case, and when obtained the official fee is but a trifle.

An inspection of Washington Market yesterday showed that it was pleasanter than we have seen it for years, and real live scavengers were at work, and not the myths of former days.

Controller GREEN has evinced an earnest desire to meet any reasonable views coming from the market people, and to be a prompt and competent officer in its management. At least in this matter, we are pleased to say, that reform has been of real benefit, and that the era of barefaced robbery and rascality is over.

We record, then, with pleasure, the notice of a deputation from all the principal markets, who called on Mr. GREEN yesterday afternoon, and expressed to him their satisfaction at the reform already accomplished and the confidence they felt in the appointment of Mr. DE VOE, the new Superintendent. The Committee was composed of the following gentlemen: J. V. Thurston, West Washington Market; Jas. Stewart, Westerton Market; W. H. Hawkes, Clinton Market; Robert Gow, Catherine Market; David B. Reed, Jefferson Market; Thos. B. Brown, Essex Market; J. M. Valentine, Fulton Market; John Donovan, Tompkins Market; J. R. Beaman, Centre Market, and Mayor Meyer, of Union Market.

Mr. STEWART, of Washington Market, in behalf of the deputation from all the markets, presenting ten memorials to the Controller, stated as follows: That the gentlemen he represented wished to express the great satisfaction the market men had felt at the announcement that Mr. GREEN had been appointed Controller. That knowing the grievous wrongs they had suffered from the Tammany Ring, they had always threatened there in regard to the occupancy of their stands, now that Mr. GREEN had the position of Controller, and had the power of making the appointments, they had said to themselves, "At last, thank God, we are in hopes of relief." That the rents demanded from the markets presented a very large interest, and had in their employ a great number of people, and that they were all ready to maintain and aid the Controller in the difficult work of reform, and that he might confidently rely on their hearty support. Mr. STEWART went on to say that the appointment of Col. DEVOE had been received by them with the greatest satisfaction, and that they considered it as an assurance of what the Controller was determined to accomplish, and they hoped that if Mr. GREEN or the Superintendent of Markets needed any further support that they would freely give it in order that the markets, in the appointment of all the officers, should be in keeping with honest reform.

Mr. GREEN replied as follows: "Gentlemen: I can gather from your remarks the general tenor of the resolutions you have passed. I am glad to see you, and I am more than pleased at the [illegible] in the interest in the reforms so much needed in the markets of this great City. You know better than I do how much the market interests become involved from political causes. One determination I formed immediately upon coming into office (and this I repeat) regardless of influences which might be brought to bear upon the subject of the Superintendents of Markets, he should be one familiar with the condition of those interested in the markets, and one who with integrity, promptness and impartiality, would institute the necessary investigations, and would thoroughly correct the abuses. Any influence

THE CUSTOM-HOUSE.

The Testimony Before the Investigating Committee Yesterday—Evidence of Edward Johnson and Others.

The Committee of the Senate on Retrenchment met yesterday morning at the Fifth-avenue Hotel, Senator BUCKINGHAM presiding.

EDWARD JOHNSON, a warehouseman, in reply to the Chairman, testified that he had charge of the General Order business under Mr. BARRET, and knew its value. He offered Col. LEET an office for the position. Formerly the Chamber of Commerce requested the private that the Collector permitted an increase of fifty per cent on the General Order stock.

To Senator Bayard—I never heard of so much pilfering as since Leet's stocking out charge of the business. All the question of charge is under the supervision of the Collector, but if he were the smartest man in the world he could not do all that is expected of him. The employees of the Custom-house are (some of them) political people, and are appointed not for their fitness for the office, but on account of their services in carrying political primaries. For the most part, they are ignorant, uneducated men, who would not be kept in the store or counting-house of any merchant in the City. These men have told me they were discharged for failure to perform partisan political service. The Collector runs the political machine, but has little to do with the actual management of the business. His communications with the Secretary of the Treasury were confined to information received from my employer. The charges of the General Order are high enough for war times, but are far too great in the present condition of things. In regard to the irregularities referred to, I have no information except from hearsay. I have frequently heard inspectors say they got a "hatchet," which means a gratuity from the merchants. I have no doubt some of the inspectors take "hatchets" from time to time from the merchant to keep the goods out of the General Order, and from the latter to hurry the goods in. I complained to Mr. MURPHY that these irregularities were injuring the party, but he said it was altogether beyond his control. In my opinion the Collector should attend less to political matters, and more to the General Order business.

To Senator Pratt—I meet numbers of importers every day who complain of the charges of the General Order business. I would define business for fifteen cents per ton for cartage, labor, and let the merchants do the cartage themselves. I did not charge as low as that when I had the General Order business, because the prices of everything were men higher. During Mr. JOHNSON's administration I knew instances where the deputy-collector was in the habit of "borrowing" goods from the General Order men to stock the complaints of the merchants, but as he was my personal enemy, and is now out of office, I prefer not to give his name. I know men are appointed to the Custom-house for their ability to shoot at primaries. This occurred under the Republican and Democratic Administrations alike, even under ANDREW JACKSON's Administration. It is an understood thing in all Administrations that the employees are taxed for political purposes. I decline to give the names of the ignorant men in the Custom-house, because I believe it is the duty of the Collector to ascertain and remedy it. I consider the salaries too low, and the system of changing men every year an abuse. I am a Republican since 1852, and desire all abuses corrected.

JAMES H. TOWNSEND, late Examiner of Customs, since 1865, in reply to Senator BAYARD, said he did not consider the present condition of the General Order system favorable to the public interest. As soon as the steamer arrives she commences discharging, and here commences the evil of the General Order system. Seven-eighths of the goods consigned to New-York would pay duty if duty once paid, the merchants not proper facilities for taking out their permits by entering the closing of the hatches forty-eight hours after the steamer's arrival. It would be a great convenience to merchants to take their goods from the steamer direct instead of the stores. This can be done by the steam lines without collusion with the discharging inspectors, as was done in the case of the Cunard steamship line, you must come in the Custom-house with your head battered. I did it once, but don't propose to do so again. I have got into some serious trouble with the steamship lines when prosecuting the duties of my office, and I feel confident I should be removed, even if it were necessary to assassinate me. About the monthly oath administered to inspectors, I think it is only a Custom-house oath, and has not the same solemnity of my oath before this Committee. While on the Cunard dock I heard JAMES DRAKE, a Custom-house officer, use vulgar language to an inspector. The inspectors stand in awe of his influence, for it is understood any baggage he wishes to have passed must be passed, or the inspector will lose his head. Not long since he came up to the store office in the Health Office with a number of ladies with him. He wanted to pass a dress worth $50,000. I did not report this to my superior officer, because I am tired of fighting these things. If the Surveyor heard of it he would do his duty; but if it got before one of the old barnacles (twenty or thirty years in the Custom-house, it would be covered up. There has been a great deal said in the course of this investigation in regard to paying inspectors gratuities. I have never been approached in that manner, but I have no doubt that it is done in some cases. Smuggling by the Havana steamers is a matter of daily occurrence, and corner pieces are found on the strips to hide contraband goods. Inspectors are sometimes by the want of caution at night sometimes who frequently sleep. Of the seizures made, I should say that ninety per cent are settled contrary to law. If one prominent man was sent to Sing Sing for the offence it would do more to stop the smuggling than anything else. The system of giving receipts to informers is a corruption. The Collector's course in the Grand Jury business is injurious to the inspectors to allow such things to the expectation of a seizure. The National line of steamships gives us all the trouble they can, either. The goods are not discharged according to the Government regulations. The proprietors of the Cuba were owners of the three-gun privateer Florida, and were engaged during the war. I tried once but would not undertake again to enforce the laws on that dock, unless a revenue cutter was put alongside and troops on board to back me. The General Order store should be conducted by the Collector, and if I held that position I would do so. There would be no complaints of overcharge by merchants then.

The Senator Hoyt—Large sums are supposed to be more willing to receive goods of all descriptions than the proprietors of any other General-Order stores. The general impression in the department seems to be that, with the exception of the surveyor, inspectors have no rights their superior officers are bound to respect. The witness had told of an incident which occurred on a Cunard steamer. A corpse was brought over in a cask, and the hearse was on the dock to receive it. But in placing it in the vehicle the bearers shook it and a rattling noise was heard. The cask was opened and found to be full of French clocks.

Samuel Thomas, a Custom-house officer, said he was a corpse for time, and never for eternity.

Arrested for Transmitting Obscene Literature through the Post-Office.

PATRICK J. BARNOS, of Nos. 14 and 16 Allen-street, is charged on affidavit of JAMES GALLOP, Special Post-office Agent, with sending an obscene book and pamphlet through the Post-office, and also a number of pictures and prints of the same vile character. BARNOS, it appears, is an extensive dealer in this peculiar species of stuff, and carries on his business in connection with a man who calls himself Daly, but whose real name is ELMORE. ELMORE was arrested at the office, but claims that he has no connection with the business further than acting as clerk. BARNOS was not captured till later in the day. They were brought before Commissioner OSBORN yesterday, who retained ELMORE as a witness against BARNOS, and committed the latter to Ludlow-street Jail in default of $2,000 bail.

Committed for Examination.

CHARLES MEYERS and H. E. MARKLE were arrested and brought before Commissioner BETTS, yesterday, on complaint of FRANK MEYER, a Custom-house officer. He alleged that CHARLES smuggled into this port, by means of false-bottomed trunks, on the steamship Oder, from Liverpool, several thousand dollars worth of gold watches and jewelry, and that U. H. BAKER smuggled a similar amount of valuables by the same conveyance, on the steamship Alaska, from Hamburg. He also testified that he (MEYER) offered him $1,000 to pass the goods. They were arrested by Deputy Marshal FURSTY, as they were on the point of starting for Savannah, having boxes of the stuff ready for Rick. They are now in Ludlow-street Jail, awaiting examination.

The Mount Pleasant Case.

In regard to the point raised in the Jumel case, whether a client should be compelled to reply to questions in regard to correspondence made by him with his counsel, JUDGE BENEDICT decided, yesterday, following the precedent of Judge WOODRUFF, that the client should answer such questions. This decision was shown, the plaintiff will close testimony. It came out yesterday that there is a compromise agreement, with Mrs. Peabody and Phelps to procure the claim for a retaining fee of $500 and one-fifth of all property recovered. The agreement was obtained yesterday, and was arranged without any, with the Mount Twelve, of San Francisco, by which the latter wants advance HOWES money from Phelps, and promises to pay the amount of each loan when was to have ten per cent of all property recovered. MATILDA L. VERION, who sleeps

BOROUGH BULLETIN.

New Prosecutions, Bail Commissioners Appointed in the Police Courts, Appointments and Resignations, Etc.

In the issue of The Times of Saturday, Commissioner appointed was given on authority, Justice Cardozo, Judge Sanford, in Supreme Court Chambers, for the attorneys thereunto, on the ground that there was no adjournment of court, which the Magistrate by contract his economic point. It appeared that CUMMINGS was commanded on the charge of being implicated in the assault and robbery committed on a man in the Harlem Hotel, corner of Prince and Crosby streets, on the 27th of January last. Mr. JOHN A. TOWNSEND stated to the Court that being called upon by CUMMINGS to act as his counsel, he was informed by him that he was not present at the commencement of the assault and charged application was made to Justice SCOTT for an examination; that the Magistrate asked him (counsel) what he wanted an examination for; that such an examination could do no good, and that the complainant was sick and could not attend; that he (Mr. TOWNSEND) then hunted up the complainant, HENSON, and found him in a hard-beer saloon, by no means certain as to CUMMINGS being one of the parties who assaulted him. Mr. (Mr. TOWNSEND) then insisted upon an examination, and presented before Justice SCOTT four witnesses who swore they saw the whole affair, and that the prisoner was the assailant. Scott, at the close of the examination, asked if that was all, and then, without any cross-examination of the witnesses, added: "Committed without bail." He found, on looking at the return, that after the case had been adjourned, he had been spoiled. He (counsel) was informed in the Court House, and he (counsel) was informed in the Court House, and he (counsel) was informed in the Court House, and he

FINANCIAL.

WE OFFER FOR SALE

At Ninety (90) and Accrued Interest,

$920,000

OF THE

First Mortgage Seven Per Cent. Bonds

OF THE

Cincinnati and Muskingum Valley Railroad Company.

Bonds $1,000 each coupons, January and July, principal and interest payable in New-York. The Pennsylvania Railroad Company own the majority of the capital stock of $4,000,000 of this Company, and the completion in October last of the branch of sixteen miles from Dresden to Zanesville, Ohio, has afforded a direct connection for the valuable local traffic of this section of the State with the system of roads controlled by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, and in addition thereto, makes a line to Cincinnati as favorable in character as any existing line.

We confidently recommend these Bonds as a good investment, being issued at the rate of only $10,000 per mile, on a completed road, or only about one-third of its cost.

E. W. CLARK & CO., PHILADELPHIA.
CLARK, DODGE & CO., NEW-YORK.

In view of the small amount per mile of the first mortgage upon the Cincinnati and Muskingum Valley Railroad, and the fact that the present business of the line, without Eastern connection, has been more than sufficient to meet the interest upon its indebtedness, I regard the bonds of this Company as a perfectly safe security. J. EDGAR THOMSON.

EIGHT PER CT. BONDS,

OF GREENE COUNTY,

State of Missouri.

The situation of investors is called to the above Bonds, which are issued to the Kansas City and Memphis branch of the Hannibal and St. Joseph Railroad Company. The total debt of Greene County, prior to the issue of these bonds, was about $15,000. The assessed valuation of taxable property—which is estimated at half its actual value—is $8,712,975, in addition to which some $2,000,000 of railroad property will become taxable for the first time during the present year.

The entire issue of these bonds is $400,000, in coupon bonds of $1,000 each, bearing date Aug. 1, 1871, and maturing in twenty years. Interest at the rate of eight per cent. per annum, is payable in New-York on the first days of February and August in each year. We are authorized to offer this them to the public at 90 and accrued interest, with the reserved right to advance the price at any time. At this price they pay OVER ELEVEN PER CENT. on the investment.

Government and other marketable securities received in exchange at current rates, we paying exgreen charges both ways.

Pamphlets, &c., with full particulars, or any further information, will be furnished upon application, either personally or by letter.

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No. 16 Wall-st., New-York.

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OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK,
Nos. 261 AND 263 BROADWAY, CORNER OF WARREN-ST.

Capital, - - - - - $1,000,000

Pays Four per Cent. Interest per Annum on Deposits, Subject to Check at Sight. Pays Five Per Cent. Interest Per Annum on Special Deposits Remaining Six Months or Longer.

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offer for sale the following desirable securities:

New-York and Oswego Midland Railroad First Mortgage 7 per cent. Gold Bonds at par and interest.

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The Syracuse and Chenango Valley Railroad First Mortgage 7 per cent. Gold Bonds, at 95 and interest.

St. Louis and South-eastern Railway First Mortgage 7 per cent. Gold Bonds, at 95 and interest.

Missouri, Iowa and Nebraska Railway First Mortgage 7 per cent. Gold Bonds, at 90 and interest.

Hamilton County, Illinois, 7 per cent. Bonds, at 97½ and interest.

Jefferson, Texas, 10 per cent. Bonds, (issued for municipal purposes,) at 95½ and interest.

Also agents for the sale of the FIRST MORTGAGE SINKING FUND 6 PER CENT. GOLD BONDS of the Vermont Division of the Portland and Ogdensburg Trunk Railroad line; a favorite New-England security.

VERMILYE & CO.

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DEALERS IN ALL ISSUES OF GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.
BUY AND SELL ON COMMISSION RAILWAY STOCKS, BONDS AND GOLD,
MAKING LIBERAL ADVANCES.
INTEREST ON DEPOSITS.

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BANKERS,
No. 59 Wall-st., New-York.

RECEIVE DEPOSITS subject to check at sight on which INTEREST is allowed at the rate of FOUR PER CENT. per annum.

Checks drawn on us are received in deposit by all the City banks.

CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT issued, payable on demand.

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No. 45 WALL-ST.
COMMERCIAL CREDITS

issued for use in Europe, China, and the East Indies, on the Queen's Bank of British North America, the Union Bank of London, and the Royal Bank of Scotland, all of the world.

Domestic and Time Bills of Exchange, payable in London and elsewhere, bought and sold. Interest allowed on Gold, Treasury Notes, Domestic Drafts, on Scotland and Ireland, also on Canada, British Columbia, and San Francisco. Bills collected, and other financial business transacted.

JOHN PATON,
ARCH. MCKINLAY, } Agents.

INDIANAPOLIS, CINCINNATI AND LAFAYETTE RAILROAD COMPANY—NOTICE TO STOCKHOLDERS.—A majority of the Directors have signed the following resolution, viz.: "Resolved, that the undersigned, as Directors of the Indianapolis, Cincinnati and Lafayette Railroad Company, do hereby give notice that the privilege granted to the stockholders of said Company, by the 3d section of the act of Assembly, approved March 11, 1869, of subscribing to the capital stock of said Company, at the rate of $50 per share, will be withdrawn from the stockholders of said Company, unless they shall avail themselves of said privilege within ninety days from date hereof.

Blank forms of subscription will be furnished on application at the office of either of the Trustees.

JOHN S. KENNEDY,
No. 61 Cedar-st., New-York.
JOSEPH A. TAY,
No. 52 Exchange-st., Boston.
JOSEPH C. BUTLER, Chicago.

NEW-YORK, Jan. 31, 1872.

GERMAN SECURITY AND MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, No. 128 BROADWAY.

NEW-YORK, Jan. 31, 1872.

A SPECIAL MEETING FOR DELIVERY OF BONDS will be held at the office, on MONDAY, Feb. 5, 1872, from 10 to 1 P. M.

W. F. COZZENS, Secretary.

FINANCIAL.

Midland Railroad

FIRST MORTGAGE

7 Per Cent. Gold Bonds,

LIMITED TO $25,000 PER MILE ON PENIENS ROAD.

The rapid progress toward completion of the great Trunk Line from New-York to the West and to Canada, caution us to refer to investors as PAST AND INTERESTED a further list of some of these favorite securities.

Upward of 240 miles of this road, including the New-Jersey section, are already finished, equipped, and in operation; and contracts with responsible parties have been made for its entire completion by the first day of July next. When this shall have been accomplished its earnings cannot fail to be large and highly remunerative, as it has advantages at least equal to those of any of its competitors for both local and through business. It is building for cash, of which nearly $2,000,000 have been furnished by subscription in the stock at par. The work is substantial, and, including equipment, has not exceeded in cost $20,000 per mile, which is less than one-third of the amount at which some of the trunk lines of roads leading from New-York are capitalized, and on which they are paying good dividends.

In view of these facts, the Midland First Mortgage Bonds must be regarded as a first-class security—quite as safe as Governments; and, by making the exchange at the present difference in price, *holders of Midland Bonds will realize 33 per cent. more of revenue upon the amount invested than the holders of Government Bonds.*

For sale or exchange for Governments at their market price, by

GEORGE OPDYKE & CO.,
No. 25 Nassau-st.

FIRST-CLASS

CITY AND COUNTY BONDS,

PAYING FROM

10 TO 13 PER CENT.,

FREE OF ALL TAXES.
INTEREST COUPONS PROMPTLY PAID SEMI-ANNUALLY IN NEW-YORK.

CHOICE SECURITIES OF UNDOUBTED CHARACTER BELOW PAR.

CASH VALUATION OF PROPERTY..... $76,058,601
WHOLE INDEBTEDNESS (LIMITED) ONLY..... 2,635,000

ALSO, AN EXTENSIVE VARIETY OF FIRST MORTGAGE 7 AND 8 PER CENT. RAILROAD BONDS, INSURANCE, BANK, GASLIGHT, AND CITY RAILROAD STOCKS, INCLUDING OTHER SECURITIES PAYING FROM 10 TO 20 PER CENT. FOR SAFE AND PROFITABLE INVESTMENTS AT LOW RATES. FOR SALE BY

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A LARGE VARIETY OF INVESTMENT SECURITIES, PAYING LARGE RATES OF INTEREST. A SPECIALTY WITH THIS HOUSE FOR MANY YEARS, AND ALWAYS KEPT ON HAND.

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OF THE

Grand Rapids and Indiana Railroad Company.

We offer these BONDS at 70 and accrued interest. They are secured by VALUABLE LAND GRANTS, and are the ONLY GENUINE FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS issued by the GRAND RAPIDS AND INDIANA RAILROAD COMPANY. Any others offered are SECOND to these.

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ALL TAXES PAID.

We think very highly of, and recommend to all classes of investors,

The Connecticut Valley Railroad First Mortgage 7 Per Cent. Bonds,

FREE OF ALL TAXES in Connecticut free of income tax everywhere. Interest payable January and July in New-York. Road finished and running; stock paid up larger than mortgage; mortgage positively limited to one million dollars; road already earning enough to pay the interest and sinking fund.

For sale at 95 and interest, by

ALLEN, STEPHENS & CO.,
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Send all letters to Post-office Box No. 3,087.

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FOR SALE BY

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ATCHISON, TOPEKA AND SANTA FE RAILROAD COMPANY, No. 48 DEVONSHIRE-ST.,
BOSTON, Feb. 1, 1872.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE received until noon, THURSDAY, 15th February, 1872, for the sale of twenty thousand dollars of the Land Bonds of said Company to the undersigned Trustees, in accordance with the indenture of mortgage of Nov. 1, 1870. The bids will be opened at the office of the Company, in Boston, at 12 M., on the 16th February, and the accepted bids declared.

THOS. NICKERSON,
GEO. C. LORD,
C. W. PEABODY, } Trustees.

WANTED,

SOUTHERN RAILROAD AND CITY BONDS.

We make of these securities a SPECIALTY, and parties desiring to sell would do well to obtain our quotations before disposing of them.

ARANTS & YOUNG,
NO. 7 NEW-ST.

THE ANNUAL ELECTION OF THE Directors of the Sixth-avenue Railroad Company will be held at the depot, 4th-av., corner of 42d-st., on Tuesday, Feb. 13, 1872, from 11 to 1 P. M.

HENRY S. MOORE, Secretary.

REPRESENTATION OF BONDS OF THE HOUSTON AND TEXAS CENTRAL RAILROAD COMPANY SUFFERING DEFAULT IN ITS SINKING FUND.—Notice is hereby given that sinking funds will be received until March 1, 1872. The amount in the sinking fund provided for the redemption of the bonds, exclusive of the sum of $2,000 per mile, or one hundred and twenty thousand dollars ($120,000) dollars, the amount in the sinking fund provided for the redemption of the bonds, exclusive of mortgages on the Western Division, is now two hundred ($200,000) dollars. The amount in the sinking fund provided for the redemption of the bonds, exclusive of mortgages on the Western Division, is now two hundred ($200,000) dollars. Representations of the bonds will be received and presented for payment, if any, and the balance will be paid pro rata. The bonds offered are of the value of $20 per share. The

THE SAVINGS BANKS.

The Bowling-Green, the Third-Avenue and the Market Banks.

Now "Bank" Smith's Reputation was Mismanaged—The Financial Statement of the Third-Avenue Bank Obtain—Scenes at the Market Bank.

THE BOWLING-GREEN BANK.

Blank "Monthly Statement Correspondent in Every Particular"—Glaring Frauds—Statements of Sullens Legged to Wantitious Figures.

The long-expected manifesto from Mr. HARE "Smith President of the collapsed Bowling-green Savings Bank, appeared in the morning journals yesterday. In this Mr. SMITH attempts to refute the serious charges brought against him by the Investigating Committee of the Depositors of the Bowling-green Bank which appeared in these columns on the 26th of January. The first statement Mr. SMITH makes is, that since the suspension of the bank he has had no doubts that the depositors would ultimately be paid in full. To this the Investigating Committee have not one word to say, only earnestly hoping that such may prove to be the case. Mr. SMITH here says that since February, 1869, he has had little or nothing to do with the affairs of the bank, a fact which was known to the trustees and a large number of the depositors. In answer to this the following fact is submitted: Mr. FOX, then a trustee of the bank, in July, 1871, previous to his departure for Europe, called at the bank upon Mr. SMITH and Mr. ROCHE, in their official capacities, to inquire into the then condition of the bank. Mr. SMITH informed Mr. FOX that the bank was in a most flourishing state, and that he had $70,000 of the funds of the bank lying idle for want of a good investment. To show that Mr. SMITH was presumed to be interested in the affairs of the bank at a more recent date the following letter is submitted, which speaks for itself:

NEW-YORK, Jan. 31, 1872.

Messrs. E. F. Stimel, Henry Smith and Walter Roche:

Please pay to the Tenth National the interest on my bond of $500, viz:

For $10,000, interest 30 Jan. 31 ..... $162 00
For $20,000, interest to Jan. 31 ..... 325 00
Total $487 50

Respectfully yours,
G. ACKERMAN, Acting Cashier.

Mr. SMITH next presents a statement of the present financial condition of the bank, which concludes with the startling assertion that the Commissioner assumes only to $15,773 34. In answer to this the depositors have obtained a copy of the statement of the bank of 23d of July, 1871, sworn to by HENRY SMITH as President, and WALTER ROCHE as acting Secretary. In this statement they found the following items, upon which the bank claimed to have been insured, entered as part of the property of the bank, which they affirm did not then exist in the bank, and not one dollar of which, from the closest investigation, has been discovered since the suspension of the bank:

	Par value.	Amount insured.
United States 5-20 bonds, 1867	$60,000	$60,000
United States 10-40 bonds	45,000	30,000
Street improvement bonds of the City of New-York	20,000	20,000
Water stock of New-York	20,000	20,000
Central Park Improvement bonds	40,000	20,000
Tennessee State bonds	10,000	10,000
Alabama State bonds	20,000	20,000
Western Pacific Railroad Gold bonds	5,000	3,700
Union Pacific Railroad Gold bonds	5,000	4,750
New-York Central and Hudson River Railroad Company's Certificates	10,000	9,000
Chicago and Rock-Island Railroad bonds	10,000	9,000
National Bank, Newberg, N. Y.	5,000	5,000
Brooklyn and Seventh-avenue Railroad Company	20,000	12,000
Tenth National Bank, New-York	12,000	10,000
Knickerbocker State Bank	5,000	5,000
Fairfield County Assurance Company	7,000	5,000
Avenue O Railroad Company's bonds	12,000	12,000
Rockaway and Orange Railroad bonds	10,000	7,200
Total		$269,650

In addition to these large figures, the statement contains the entry of $40,000 worth of railroad stock, upon which $20,000 was insured, which stock, upon investigation, proves to have amounted to $20,000 only. So that, in all, it is clear that the immense sum of $269,650 was loaned by Mr. "HARE" SMITH and his confederates without a particle of security of any kind being given. Mr. SMITH does not attempt to explain this little discrepancy, but the Committee of Depositors, after a careful search, have discovered the following names of personal friends of SMITH, ROCHE and SELLNER, who were allowed to borrow the money: Jacob Ackerman, Mr. Fox, Mr. Ackerman and others. This never-before-heard-of way of the depositors, and with that purpose and guaranteeing its correctness, the Committee submit it to the public:

Church, F. E. Fisher—Smith	$221 78
Kingsley—Smith	1,000 00
Colbert—Roche	10,570 00
Fairchild—Smith	1,000 00
Wadridge—Smith	1,500 00
Muir—Sell, S. Roche	1,700 00
Colgan—Roche	1,242 00
Millington—Smith	1,000 00
A. P. B. Stewart—Smith	750 00
Weldon—Smith	400 00
Avenue O Railroad Company—Roche	20,000 00
Sellner—Smith	500 00
Sudder—Smith	500 00
Kennedy—Smith	1,000 00
Jno. F. McCormick—Roche	750 00
De Lon—Roche	500 00
Hoffman—Smith	1,200 00
Logan—Roche	500 00
Sigel—Smith	2,000 00
Total	$44,163 78
Amount of stock	$269,650 00
Total	$313,813 78

In addition to this sum of $100,000 seems to have been loaned, as will appear from the subjoined, of $60,000 37 was lent to the following persons:

John Hall	$1,267 37
A. T. Hare	2,000 00
R. C. Harvey	10,000 00
J. S. Harrison	15,000 00
Total	$28,267 37

After the most careful scrutiny the Committee emphatically declare that these are purely fictitious transactions, and they unhesitatingly affirm that these fictitious loans were part of the transactions of the President, the statement of SMITH to the contrary notwithstanding.

The next point to which it is thought necessary to draw attention is the item of real estate which Mr. SMITH, in his statement, values at $50,000, but which Mr. TYLER, the Investigating Committee, has ascertained, after a careful search, and upon the most reliable authority, that the property, which is encumbered to the extent of $50,000, was originally purchased by him for his own particular use and benefit.

Another item, which, in comparison with the rest, is a mere trifle, is that of the safe and fixtures, valued at $5,000. This item being included in the assets, it might be presumed that the safe and fixtures had been paid for. Such, however, does not appear to be the case, as some days ago a bill of $4,000 was received from the notorious McALLISTER, the Broadway fire-proof man.

These are the principal results of the labors of the Depositors' Investigating Committee, who desire at the same time, as an illustration of the character of the affairs of the bank, to say that when it became known that one Colonel HAY, a friend of SMITH, had gone to Europe, Mr. WALTER ROCHE and others hunted up the depositors of that institution, and, by false representations, bought up their claims to the amount of several thousand dollars and cleared from forty five to sixty per cent, by the transaction.

A meeting of the depositors of the Bowling-green Bank will be held on Monday, the 5th of February, when the board of the Bowling-green will be taken on the question whether "HARE" SMITH, ROCHE and others shall not be criminally prosecuted for having appropriated the money of the depositors of the Bowling-green Savings Bank.

The Third-Avenue Bank—Full Statement of Last Session, $11,055 00—Assets, $5,000,510.44.

The long-expected statement of the Third-avenue Savings Bank is published this morning. The statement is a very full and complete one, and may have the effect of restoring confidence in the public mind. The amount of stock purchased by this Bank is $1,000,000, the majority of which are New-York State and City bonds, Brooklyn and Jersey bonds. The "sixteen" Southern States, about which so much has been said in certain morning journals, prove to be due on such as Georgia, Louisiana, and Alabama. All these are old bonds, which Mr. LYON the President does declare can be sold easily at a premium. The amount of real estate is naturally large, and speaks for itself. The Treasurer, Mr. CHARLES COMSTOCK, has already been sold upon due-bills terms. The surplus is very small, being only $11,055 00, in view of which the Trustees, as a meeting held last night, have ordered and are willing to increase it by contributing the sum of $50,000.

Statement of the Third-avenue Savings Bank, as on the 1st of January, 1872, to wit:

Bonds and mortgages	$1,020,000 00
Stock investments	1,022,000 00
Loaned on Government stocks	14,000 00
Real estate, Banking House and lot on the third-avenue and one lot on 1st and building on Second-avenue adjoining	100,000 00
Real estate, Tarrytown, one hotel and 4 dwellings	30,000 00
Real estate, Bridgeport, three houses and one vacant lot	172,000 00
Bankers, Brokers, Exchanges, Three houses and one vacant lot	60,000 00
Furniture and fixtures	14,000 00
Cash on deposit in banks	138,000 00
Cash on hand	120,000 00
Interest and rents due and accrued	20,000 00
Total	$3,000,000 00
Amount due depositors	$3,000,000 00
Surplus	$11,055 00

Amount of stock owned by Third-avenue Savings Bank, as on the 1st of January, 1872, to wit:

New-York City Bonds, 7 per cent	$200,000
Kansas State Bonds, 7 per cent	400,000
Brooklyn City Bonds, 7 per cent	100,000
Dry Dock and East Broadway and Battery Railroad Bonds, 7 per cent	100,000
Louisiana State Bonds, 6 per cent	100,000
Alabama State Bonds, 5 per cent	20,000
Tennessee State Bonds, 6 per cent	10,000
Town of Yonkers, N. Y., Bonds, 7 per cent	20,000
Georgia State Bonds, 7 per cent	20,000
Jersey City, N. J., Bonds, 7 per cent	20,000
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Stock investments	1,022,000 00
Loaned on Government stocks	14,000 00
Real estate, Banking House and lot on the third-avenue and one lot on 1st and building on Second-avenue adjoining	100,000 00
Real estate, Tarrytown, one hotel and 4 dwellings	30,000 00
Real estate, Bridgeport, three houses and one vacant lot	172,000 00
Bankers, Brokers, Exchanges, Three houses and one vacant lot	60,000 00
Furniture and fixtures	14,000 00
Cash on deposit in banks	138,000 00
Cash on hand	120,000 00
Interest and rents due and accrued	20,000 00
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Amount due depositors	$3,000,000 00
Surplus	$11,055 00

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New-York City Bonds, 7 per cent	$200,000
Kansas State Bonds, 7 per cent	400,000
Brooklyn City Bonds, 7 per cent	100,000
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"Recourse is all known therapeutical agents and modes of treatment are ineffectual beyond, sometimes, a reduction of the size of the nodes of a gouty or rheumatic nature by absorption of a part of the outer and investing structure. But the entire removal of the inorganic body without surgical intervention, has not, we believe, hitherto been brought about by either internal remedies or external applications, or by both united. In the case now under notice, we cannot believe that the absorbents would be equal to the task of sucking up, as it were, the deposited inorganic matter, unless this deposit had been subjected to the solvent action of the blood brought to the part by the delicate capillaries. Whence comes this solvent property? He further adds that it has produced signally curative and restorative effects upon different forms of Dyspepsia, Sickness of the Stomach, Heartburn, Waterbrash, Acute Neuralgic Pains, Loss of Appetite, Chronic Diarrhea, Torpid Liver, Gout, Chronic Rheumatism, Nodosities of the Joints, Approaching and Actual Paralysis, Sickness, General Debility, Hematuria, Abundant Dropsy, Cholera Infantum, Gouty Urinary Disorders, &c., &c. The New-York *Medical Record*, one of our leading medical journals, states as the result of the experiments of one of its editors with this Water that, "from experiments made on our own person as well as others, we can state that the Gettysburg Water is a regulator of all the secretions and excretions; under its influence the kidneys and liver, the glands of the intestinal canal and the skin, all perform their normal functions; the bowels, if constipated, become regular; the skin, if dry, becomes moist; the torpid liver is excited to healthy action, and the kidneys perform their functions with perfect regularity. There is a total abstinence of any disagreeable sensations whatever; the use manifestly tends to an increased activity, and all morbid causes of bodily or even mental disorder seem rapidly to pass away. The results is: Increased appetite and digestion, a more vigorous circulation, a stronger pulse, a calmer mind, a more tranquil sleep, a clearer complexion, and an increasing nervous and muscular power." * * * The *Medical and Surgical Reporter* of Philadelphia, another of our leading medical journals, then editorially refers to this wonderful Water: "As a mild alkaline Water it is found to be adapted to dyspepsia, with its numerous sequences and complications, including disorder of the liver and kidneys; the irritable effects of imperfect assimilation as exhibited in gout, chronic rheumatism, neuralgia, and an impoverished state of the blood, or anemia."

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Cash, in Banks and Trust Companies	$439,322 62
Bonds and Mortgages, being first lien on real estate worth $6,700,000	1,850,849 37
Loans on Stocks, payable on demand (market value of securities, $141,422)	110,350 00
United States Stocks, (market value)	1,669,357 50
State Bonds (market value)	89,100 00
Interest due on 1st January, 1872	52,737 19
Balance in hand of agent	247,892 75
Bills receivable	25,599 63
Other property, miscellaneous items	186,423 83
Premiums due and uncollected on Policies issued at this office	29,318 60
Balance	46,044 81
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THE MAGAZINES.

—It would be almost impossible for a magazine to continue at a standard of excellence as high as that attained by the *Atlantic* of last month. So we were prepared for a decline in this respect in the present number, but are happy to say that it is by no means as marked as we had anticipated. HAWTHORNE's tale of "Septimius Felton" increases greatly in interest. The last two pages are especially noticeable for the keen analysis the author has made of the workings of the human mind under peculiar circumstances, and nothing can be truer or more delicate than the description of the half-doubtful, introspective love of an intellectual man. "Wagner and the Pianist Bülow," by ALICE ASHBY, consists of an article aggressively hostile toward the former of these two musicians, in which both he and his works come in for a fair share of abuse. The latter are termed "chaotic," "bombastic," and "incorrectness," a judgment that all agreed with after very general praise that is now being given to the composer of the "Music of the Future." "The Visible and the Invisible in Protection," by EDWARD ATKINSON, is a very clear, practical exposition of many of the features in the present Tariff laws that prevent the free development of our country. Mr. ATKINSON contends that, had the $50,000,000 collected last year on foreign imports, and used in the unnecessary reduction of the national debt, been left uncollected, it would have increased the available capital for business uses to the amount of $500,000,000 i. e., additional capital to that amount could have been used profitably in manufactures had these restrictions been removed. Dr. HOLMES, in "The Poet at the Breakfast Table," gives a very amusing sketch of his fellow-boarders, wishing, doubtless, to allow his readers to become well acquainted with the household before beginning the treatment of distinctly poetical subjects, which the title he has taken leads one to expect. "Petronilla," by ELIZABETH STUART PHELPS, is a poem of really great merit, as is also—though for entirely different reasons—"A Norse Stav," by Hjalmer Hjorth Boyesen. "The Castlewood Tragedy," by ALICE DUTTON, is a vivid picture of Southern life before the war. Col. HIGGINSON takes the reader to row with him "In a Wherry" around Newport Harbor, and likewise favors him with a delightful talk about everything in general. "The Comedy of Terrors," "Diversions of the Echo Club," and the Life of JEFFERSON, are all continued. A poem by Mrs. S. M. B. PIATT and W. E. CHANNING, and a series of admirable summaries on "Literature," "Art," "Music," "Science," and "Politics" complete the contents of the number.

—*Harper's* contains a number of articles of more than average excellence. The opening paper, "The Scott Centenary," by MONCURE D. CONWAY, is decidedly the best account of that celebration we have read, and it is really refreshing to peruse it after the hundreds of pages of same matter that the event has produced. The principal events in the life of the great writer are treated with the utmost care, Mr. CONWAY justly believing that the true opinion of a man's character can be determined by knowing what his actions were under given circumstances, and thus a waste of barren detail may be profitably omitted. JUNIUS HENRI BROWNE furnishes another paper on "Holland and Hollanders." In this he describes a visit to the diamond cutting establishments at Amsterdam, which, as every one knows, is the centre of the diamond trade. He does not seem to have been greatly impressed with the proverbial cleanliness of the Dutch, which he found to be confined solely to the interior of their house, and there, even, from reasons of necessity rather than natural inclination. The illustrations in both the preceding articles are admirably done. Rev. Dr. OSGOOD contributes another paper on what might be called the science of statistics; it is under the title of "The Pay-roll of Christendom." To one not accustomed to close study in this particular, the facts concerning the relative moral and physical condition of different countries and different social classes which are obtained from these dry figures seem well-nigh magical. Prof. WILLIAM ATHERTON graphically describes the manner in which English is not taught in our schools, and suggests the necessary reforms to be made, in order that children may acquire something other than useless theories. "Old Books of New-York" is a gossipy sketch of a stroll through the curious library that the late Mr. GOWAN used to have in the basement of his store in Nassau-street. "The Days of Queen Anne" is a historical recollection of the distinguished men of that era, particularly SWIFT, an account of whose unhappy life is very faithfully given. ANTHONY TROLLOPE begins a very promising serial story, entitled "The Golden Lion of Granpere," and the other serial, "A Good Investment," is continued, as the reader will find, with unabated interest. There are a number of shorter stories, by popular writers; and in "The Editor's Easy-Chair," some thoughtful comments on topics of the day.

—*Scribner's* contains several exceptionally good magazine articles. The most interesting, both from the importance of the subject and the clear logical manner in which it is written, is a treatise entitled "Defects of the National Banking System." The author, who does not allow his name to appear, has evidently given the subject a very thorough examination; while recognizing the many advantages the system has by its unity over the heterogeneous method of the past, he is disposed to doubt the necessity of allowing the banking corporations any special privileges in order to insure this. The defects he finds, and which he asserts tax the industry of the entire country to the extent of over sixteen million dollars annually—are, the monopoly of the privilege of issuing circulation by certain favored corporations, the unfair apportionment of the privilege, the irredeemability of the bank currency, and, caused by all of these circumstances, the enormous profits of the banks. To correct this, he urges the repeal of the laws limiting the amount of bank circulation, and also those making it legal tender in payment of debts due to the Government. These views may appear startling to many, as their adoption would involve great financial changes. The free banking system has, however, received an admirable exposition from the hands of this unknown writer, and we would advise all interested in the matter to read what he says upon the subject. Prof. HAYDEN has contributed a very entertaining account of the many wonderful natural phenomena met with during his trip to the Valley of the Yellowstone. The illustrations to this article are drawn by Mr. THOMAS MORAN. In "The Mormons and Their Religion," R. H. SHELEY has given an admirable description of the leading features in belief and practice that distinguish this peculiar religious sect, and the influence upon their future existence which the present agitation is likely to produce. "A Small Piece of the Woman Question," by LUIG G. NOBLE, is a bright, clever attempt to throw light into the confusing obscurity of the woman question, by explaining how very different the actual working woman of the present is from the ideal working woman of the future. "The Charities of the Fatherland," by WM. WELLS, is full of examples of private benevolence that might be copied with great advantage by our own countrymen. "Back-Log Studies—Renewed," by C. D. WARNER, contains four delightful papers filled with happy, suggestive matter. "As His Sister" and "Wilfrid Cumbermede" are continued, and the editorial pages treat of a variety of foreign and domestic topics in a pleasant readable manner.

—The *Galaxy* does not contain any articles of special importance, though several can claim the merit of being highly interesting. Mr. JUSTIN MCCARTHY has another personal sketch. This time it is about JOHN RUSKIN, and the influence he has had upon English art. Although objection may be taken to the generalizing style in which Mr. MCCARTHY writes, and which makes more of the novelist than the biographer, yet it is undoubtedly a fact that in this way he draws the attention and meets the requirements of a much larger circle of readers than he could do in any other form. Mr. ISAAC BUTTS, in "The Management of Cities," proposes a plan for municipal Government, in which the owners of property over a certain amount shall receive additional political power, a given amount of property standing as equivalent to an extra vote. We forbear stating that this method would, indeed, make more, much economy in the expenditure of public money on the score of self-interest. While admitting that this is undeniably true it is well to remember—which Mr. BUTTS does not seem sufficiently to do—that any movement toward the Government of Wealth at a time when wealth can be so steadily concentrated as at present, is not a step to be lightly taken, and in its train may bring more evils than benefits. Gen. CUSTER continues his sketch of "My Life on the Plains," though this third has failed to have that distinctive character that the preceding in the title would naturally lead one to look for. "Fifteen Years a Shakeress," which is also continued, contains a great many facts both amusing and interesting concerning the daily social life of this very strange sect. "Successions of the Past; John Tyler's Administration," is somewhat confusing, from the want of certainty as to the thing suggested. The inference which the writer would seem to wish drawn from the sketch is that the Republican Party of the present day, like the Whig Party of that era, is on the point of disintegration, an analogy of fact that will not suggest itself in the least to the great proportion of his readers. "The Blessings of Sudden Death," by J. HENRI BROWNE, is well worth reading. "My Russian Friends," by ALICE GRAY, is a sketch of Russian travel; pleasing, though somewhat vague. "A Trifling Mistake," by ERNESTINE ANNOUX, is a well-told love story on the English model; and "Drift-wood," "Club-room" and "Nebula" each furnish items of greater or less interest.

—*Lippincott's* contains a number of highly-interesting stories and one or two articles of a graver character. Of the latter is an entertaining account of the formation of "The First American Art Academy," which was inaugurated in Philadelphia in 1805, and a slightly idyllistic review of the works of VICTOR HUGO, both as a dramatist, novelist and poet, by KATE HILLARD. WHYMPER's "Scrambles Among the Alps"—the prolific source of so much adventure—will be read with unabated interest. A new serial is commenced in this number, which has only to continue as well as it has begun to prove the most entertaining story of the season. It is called "The Strange Adventures of a Phaeton," and is written by WILLIAM BLACK, whose previous novel, "A Daughter of Heth," has demonstrated the fact that he is one of the first writers of fiction in England. There is a quaint individualism in the present story, which is all the more pleasing on account of its extreme rarity in works of this kind. "Aytoun," by an unknown American author, has not improved since the last number; the characters are wretchedly priggish, and the entire current of the story is forced and unnatural. "The Pompeian Necklace" is one of LUCY H. HOOPER's absurdly exaggerated, but rather readable, tales, and "Pidgin Bread," by CHAUNCEY HICKOX; "The Case of Martha Gouse," by EVELYN ASHBY, and "A Gold Hunt on the Yelowstone," by EDWARD B. BRADLEY, complete the list of prose articles in the number. "Our Monthly Gossip" and "Literature of the Day," contain a great variety of notes on interesting topics. There are also poems of indifferent merit by CHARLES WARREN STODDARD and HOWARD GLYNDON.

—The editor of *Old and New*, in his customary introduction, calls the present issue a "Washington number," and proceeds to verify his statement by giving the reader six distinct articles on subjects connected directly or indirectly with the life of our first President. "The Unpublished Writings of Washington" consist of a collection of letters written for the most part during Gen. BRADDOCK's campaign, and, with the exception that they have never before been printed, have little general interest. "Washington, the General" is a careful summary of his military movements during the Revolutionary war, and a defense of them from a strategic point of view. Then follows "Washington's Expression of Countenance," by R. S. GREENOUGH; "The Standard Likeness of Washington," by J. E. W.; "Washington Agricultural Letters," by GEORGE HAYWARD, and "Contemporary Washingtonian Poetry." So completely has this subject absorbed the usual space that the general articles have been of necessity reduced in number. GEORGE MACDONALD's "Vicar's Daughter" is continued. THOMAS MERMAN has a capital article on "Sexual Science," demonstrating the relative superiority of the female to the male in the physical economy of nature. In the additional chapters to "Six of One by Half a Dozen of the Other," the writers seem to have acted upon the kaleidoscope plan, and to have thrown all the characters with one movement into new situations. Four poems of average merit, and a moral essay by ORVILLE DEWEY, complete the contents.

The *Catholic World* has two articles upon the labor question, which it considers the most important topic of the day. In "The Duties of the Rich in Christian Society" it is stated that it is only the influence of purely Christian and Catholic principals, which are that all men have a trust committed to them for the common good, that can save the wealthy classes in this country and in Europe from future destruction. In "The International Association" the ideas enunciated by WENDALL PHILLIPS are examined and ably refuted. "Popular Objections to Papal Infallibility" is a defense of that dogma, in the form of a letter, supposed to be addressed to a Protestant friend. The argument is singularly free from defective reasoning, and if the premises were equally strong would be quite conclusive. The need for the establishment of distinctive Catholic libraries in the large towns and cities of the country is set forth in an article "On Catholic Libraries," and the principles upon which Mr. HERBERT SPENCER has founded his school of philosophy are reviewed in a paper on "The Cosmic Philosophy."

—In the *Phrenological Journal*, Rev. WILLIAM PITTENGER has a very interesting article on "Protoplasm," in which, while agreeing with Prof. HUXLEY in most that he says concerning its action in the physical support of life, he also shows that the discovery in no way conflicts with the essential principals of the Christian faith. There is an illustrated essay by Sir CHARLES BELL on "Expression—Its Anatomy and Physiology," in which the various formations of the head, as the rate of intelligence increases or declines, are described. There are also biographical sketches of JAMES DENOON REYNERT, JOSHUA WATSON, and Gov. WASHBURN, of Massachusetts, besides a number of shorter articles on miscellaneous subjects.

—*The American Naturalist* opens with Prof. AGASSIZ's letter "Concerning Deep-sea Dredgings." Mr. PUTNAM's account of his investigations in Mammoth Cave is continued, the present paper being devoted to the anatomical structure of the blind fish found there. The subject is further explained by the addition of some very delicately-drawn diagrams of them. Prof. N. S. SHALER tests the Darwinian theory by applying it to the development of rattlesnakes, with very satisfactory results. The notes upon botany and scientific miscellany are unusually full and interesting.

—In *Good Words*, ANTHONY TROLLOPE's last story, "The Golden Lion of Granpere," is begun. Under the title of "Hints for Essays" is a series of short papers, by the author of "The Friends in Council," written in that delightfully suggestive vein that has won for ARTHUR HELPS so much popularity in his previous works. Rev. CHARLES KINGSLEY writes on "Town Geology," and that able scientist, RICHARD A. PROCTOR, gives the results of the observations he and others have made concerning the great solar eruptions.

—*Beecher's* contains a sketch of the life and works of HENRY SPENCER, a pleasantly-told description of a trip to the West, by CHAS. W. JAY, and a large variety of entertaining reading-matter on topics of popular interest.

—The *Herald of Health* has an interesting paper by Rev. CHARLES H. BRIGHAM on the intimate relationship existing between the soul and body, and the interdependence of one upon the other in respect to destructiveness. "Husbands and Wives" is the title of an article by the editor, which treats of a matter of the highest moral and physical importance, and is marked by all their forcible and delicate. The other contributions are as a variety of topics and as a whole are very entertaining.

—The Eclectic offers a highly diversified intellectual table to its readers, having mostly selected taken from ten of the leading European periodicals and a variety of brief and lighter matter from miscellaneous sources. The principal selections are the "Church and State of Italy," from the *Fortnightly*, "Samuel Taylor Coleridge," from *Blackwood's*, and "The Last Tournament," from the *Contemporary*. There is also a fine steel portrait of Lord LYZGAR, Governor-General of Canada.

—The *Sunday Magazine*, one of the most entertaining of the English religious periodicals, is republished in this country by LIPPINCOTT & Co. The present number contains the latest installment of GEORGE MACDONALD's story, "The Vicar's Daughter," "How to Study the Old Testament," by W. LEIDEAT ABRAHAM, D. D., a pleasant sketch by JAMES PITT, called "Out of the History of a Ragged School," and a number of other interesting papers.

—*Van Nostrand's Engineering Magazine*, which is the best eclectic magazine of its kind in this country, has, in the latest number, several articles of unusual interest. "Sewage as a Fertilizer of Land," from the *Journal of the Society of Arts*, should be read by all interested in farming matters. "Tramways and their Structure," from the same source, and "Proposed Roman Explorations," from the *Builder*, are equally worthy of perusal.

—The *Manufacturer and Builder* contains a number of highly interesting articles on scientific subjects, most of which are illustrated. Among the most important of these is a paper on the "Cleaning of Boilers," a description of "How Coin is Made at the English Mint," and "A Study in Ecclesiastical Architecture."

Reviews.

—The publication of the *Southern Review* has been transferred from Baltimore to St. Louis, but the editorial management remains unchanged. The most extended article in the present number is one entitled "Modern Atheism," under which heading the works of all the prominent scientific writers of the present day are included. As might be expected in so sweeping a denunciation the harsh epithet of "atheist" is applied to several who in no way deserve it; certainly no one has been more zealous in endeavoring to reconcile the claims of science with the least liberal of Christian creeds than Mr. MIVART, and his efforts must have been but feebly appreciated by a reviewer who would place him in this respect on a par with DARWIN and HUXLEY. The article throughout has little to recommend it save the evident sincerity of the writer, who loses his temper at not being able to understand the position taken by his opponents, and proceeds with an *argumentum ad hominem* instead of a candid criticism. To classify COMTE, TYNDALL and DARWIN as intellectual "pigmies," is so absurdly false that we are surprised that the editors of the *Review* allowed it to pass uncorrected. A very graphic sketch is given of the life of Gen. ALBERT SIDNEY JOHNSTON, one of the bravest officers of the Confederate army, but which will probably prove of more interest to a Southern than Northern reader. The same might be said of an article called the "Republican Party—Objects and Policy," which exhibits all too evidently the bitterness of disappointed ambition. "History of the Moravians" furnishes a very entertaining account of Moravian life. "The Method of the Ancient Geometry" is somewhat too abstruse for the ordinary reader, and the remaining articles are upon theological questions.

—The *National Quarterly Review* opens with an admirable article on "Bohemia; its Political Vicissitudes and its Literature," which derives additional interest from the late troubles that that country has had in its connection with the Austrian Empire, and which have their origin in the ethnological divisions into which the people are separated. "Recollections of Daniel Webster" is a careful analysis of the distinguishing characteristics of that great statesman, and a sketch of those events of his life that placed him in a position relatively above all of his contemporaries. "Brittany: Its antiquaries and its Legends" is a very entertaining account of that very romantic, though least-visited part of France. "Our Quack Doctors, and How They Thrive" is one of a series of articles on public abuses that have appeared from time to time in this periodical. The present one cannot be other than productive of good, as the exposition of the nefarious business is very complete. Not less so is an article on Insurance, which will be continued in the next issue. The remaining papers are "Fortified Cities," "Our National Finance," "Extinct Races of America—The Mound Builders," and the "Stellar Universe."

—The *Presbyterian Quarterly* and the *Princeton Review* have been consolidated, and the new publication will bear the joint names. The first number that has appeared under the combined management, contains several thoughtful and interesting papers on a variety of subjects. HERRICK JOHNSON, D. D., and LYMAN H. ATWATER, D. D., have a lengthy argument on the Biblical authority for total abstinence, the former claiming that it is not actually stated, it is at least implied, and the latter, holding that the establishment of a dogma by which those who drink or make wine should be excluded from the privileges of the church, would be utterly wrong; that the principle contains the elements of a destructive rationalism, which would sooner or later undermine the Christian faith. "The Plymouth Brethren," by Rev. THOMAS CROSKERY, is an account of the formation, growth, and present disintegration of the religious solidarity of that name, which is one of the many abortive attempts to found a distinct sect in the Christian church. The admirable article on "Paris under the Commune," by EDMOND DE PRESSENSÉ, has been translated from the *Revue des deux Mondes*, and the remaining articles are "The Variable and Constant in Christian Apology," by C. A. AIKEN, D. D.; "The Theology of our Age and Country," by PHILIP SCHAFF, D. D.; "Jowett's Plato," by TAYLOR LEWIS, LL. D.; and "Ezra, the Model of the Biblical Divine," by THOMAS E. THOMAS, D. D.

—The *American Church Review* for this quarter is an admirable number. The articles contained in it are all excellent, and even those on church matters have a greater general interest than is usually the case for subjects of this character. "The Church and the Laboring Classes" is a careful examination of that involved subject, the relative rights of labor and capital, and thoughtful suggestions as to the manner in which the Church may aid in solving the question. The Bishop of Western New-York has contributed an article on the growth of the Episcopal Church in America, claiming that it represents the Catholicity of the patriotic days more thoroughly than any other existing church. In the paper entitled "Deaconesses" the subject of woman's religious work is very carefully considered, and many of the objections urged against the establishment of this church order, such as dress, marriage, special vocation, and the like, are fairly met and answered. "Modern Thought and its Relation to the Person of the Lord Jesus," is a comprehensive summary of the various attacks that have been made against the orthodox faith from the first publication of Dr. STRAUSS to the present time. "Changes in England During Half a Century" is a very discriminating review of the works of Mr. DISRAELI, and of the great change both social and political, as indicated by them, which have taken place during this period. "The Analysis of a Sunbeam" is a popular account of a number of the wonderful discoveries that have been made by means of the spectrum analysis. The remaining articles are "Scientific Speculation as Theological Interpretation," "Munificence in Giving," and "Regeneration in Baptism."

—The *Journal of Psychological Medicine* contains a paper by ISAAC LEWIS FIST, A. M., on "The Psychical Status and Criminal Responsibility of the Totally Uneducated Deaf and Dumb," in which he urges that some action should be taken to correct the present wanton criminal solicitude in respection crimes committed by these unfortunate beings, and also that the Legislature of this State should pass some law rendering their education obligatory. "Materialism in its Relation to the Causes, Conditions, and Treatment of Insanity," by H. R. WILLARD, M. D., is a very able structure in favor of materialism, as opposed to the doctrine of moral insanity. In "The Development of Religious Ideas," Dr. JAMES J. O'DEA, traces the growth of religious belief in the human family from animism, through mythic preparation for the advent of revelation. The remaining articles are by Drs. HAMMOND and CHOMA, and are of great technical interest.

EUROPEAN MAIL NEWS.

GERMANY.

A Grand Display of the Navy in Presence.

From the Kölnische Zeitung.

Though the German expedition across the Atlantic is deferred, and has, by the settlement of the British quarrel, lost its primary purpose, the project to parade the German flag in foreign climes is by no means abandoned. German papers explain the reason for the sudden countermand to be mainly one of financial expediency. The Government found that the expedition could not be undertaken for less than two millions of thalers, which it cannot well spare at present, and which it would be inconvenient to tack on to the Budget. Writing immediately before the issue of the revocation, the *Correspondence de Berlin*, which is edited in the Prussian Foreign Office, thus characterises the object of the expedition: The idea be a brilliant exhibition in a grand style, intended, indeed, not merely to provide practice for the men and officers, but chiefly to introduce the German Empire as a naval Power among States, and principally among states which, in consequence of their distance from Europe, have no other means than by the power of a European State just the number and calibre of guns coming before their eyes under its flag. The exhibition is therefore to be, so to speak, a demonstration—not a demonstration against any individual State, but one that will benefit the transatlantic commerce of Germany and Germans residing out of Europe."

The German Succession—Marriage to Prince Arthur.

In Berlin, on Jan. 16, took place the grand celebration of the anniversary of the Black Eagle Order—the decoration most coveted by Prussian subjects, and rarely conferred even on the most distinguished foreigners. The ceremony had, indeed, a peculiar interest for Englishmen, from the fact that Prince ARTHUR was solemnly invested with the insignia of the Order. Among those who figured in the assemblage were some whose names recall the great efforts by which Prussia has made herself a prominent Power of Europe—such men as VON FALCKENSTEIN, HERWARTH VON BITTENFELD, who led up the Valley of the Elbe, in 1866, the right column of the Prussian Army; VAN THILE, the assiduous assistant of BISMARCK at the Chancellery of Foreign Affairs; and last, but not least, Count BERNSTORFF, who has represented the Government of Berlin in London for so many years. The ceremony of installation took place at 1½ in the afternoon. Prince ARTHUR drove to the scene, along with the Crown Prince and Prince LOUIS OF HESSE, in a State carriage, wearing the full robes of the order. The assemblage in the castle Chapter Room was most brilliant, and altogether such a spectacle was presented as has seldom been witnessed. After the investiture the Chapter was dissolved, and a grand banquet took place in the great hall of the Emperor's Palace, nearly 1,300 guests being present. These all being persons of distinction who have been invested with various orders for services to the State, their decorations and military uniforms presented an exceedingly fine appearance. A second ceremony of an impressive nature now took place. His Majesty embracing each of the new-made Knights as they were presented to him by the Grand Master, while the oldest members of the order acted as godfathers to those who had just been installed.

FOREIGN DISASTERS.

Terrible Explosion at Greenwich—A Rain of Chassepot Bullets.

From the London Echo, Nov. 19.

A dreadful explosion occurred last evening at GLADSTONE's cartridge factory, Greenwich-marshes, by which a large number of girls have been seriously injured. A few weeks ago the Government seized 255 cases of ball cartridges, each containing twenty pounds weight, which had been manufactured by Mr. H. GLADSTONE for the French Government in the late war; but the English Government had consented to their return in small quantities on the condition that the powder should be destroyed in a manner by which the ball could be utilized, and yesterday evening a foreman, named SARGENT, and about thirty girls (about sixteen and seventeen years of age) were employed breaking up the cartridges at the factory in question, when, without a moment's notice, a terrific explosion occurred, which was heard for several miles round. Simultaneously with the explosion the girls rushed out of the shed, a great many with their clothes in flames. The least injured ran screaming home through the marshes and tidal ditches, while others were thrown down and rolled in the mud to extinguish the flames. SARGENT, the foreman, and three or four girls were dragged out of the shed with the greatest risk, in consequence of four subsequent explosions occurring within an interval of a quarter of an hour. A cart was obtained from the adjoining farm of Mr. WHEATLEY, in which some of the worst sufferers were conveyed home. The building, which was about 60 feet by 20 feet, was set on fire, the roof blown off, and a portion of the walls knocked down. Five engines of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade, from Greenwich, Deptford, Lewisham, Blackheath and Woolwich attended, extinguished the fire, and rendered essential service by preventing the fire spreading to an adjacent stack of about fifty boxes, containing about 1,000 pounds of ball cartridge. The explosion blackened and disfigured the faces, arms and necks of the girls in a frightful manner. Several were injured by the Chassepot bullets. About 500 pounds of fifty pounds of ball cartridge flying about, and others were wounded by the falling bricks and slates. It is expected that all the thirty girls are more or less injured, and four or five dangerously so. No clear account could be obtained as to the cause of the explosion, but it is rumored that one of the men belonging to the barge which brought the boxes of cartridges down from London imprudently attempted to break up one of the cartridges with a knife, the friction of which ignited the powder.

THE ENGLISH COURTS.

Impaneling of a Jury of Matrons in the Old Bailey.

From the London Globe, Jan. 17.

The scene that was enacted yesterday evening at the Old Bailey, on the occasion of the conviction and sentence of CHRISTIANA EDMUNDS, was one of rare occurrence, and for its romantic ghastliness was almost unexampled, even in the annals of the Newgate Calendar. The old and dingy-looking Court was densely crowded during the reply of SERJEANT BALLANTINE and the summing-up of Baron MARTIN. The prisoner sat unmoved and seemingly unconcerned. A female warder of the prison, who sat behind her in the dock exhibited far more emotion, and looked far more wretched. The prisoner wore no bonnet, but her hair was carefully and even coquettishly arranged in heavy folds across her head. She was dressed neatly, with a black velvet cloak and well-fitting gloves of some dark color. At 8 o'clock the jury retired, and were absent for an hour. The prisoner was removed from the dock, but Baron MARTIN retained his seat upon the bench, and the crowd of spectators hardly dwindled during the weary hour of waiting for the verdict. There was much talking and even some laughing, a strange reaction from the enforced silence and the intense suspense during the previous hours of the day. The Judge perused the *Times*, the Sheriffs and the chaplain chatted pleasantly, the members of the Bar engaged in learned discussions on the relation of insanity to crime, and in criticisms on the speeches of counsel and the personal appearance of the beautiful young ladies who sat behind the bar seats; and so the time passed until the return of the jury, when to the buzz of conversation succeeded a solemn stillness, during which the names of the twelve were called over, the prisoner during the process standing with the front of her dock, with the female warder in close attendance, and two uniformed turnkeys taking their places noiselessly behind her. "You say that she is guilty, gentlemen, and that is the verdict of you all?" There is a dreadful pause. Men's hearts beat with sympathetic excitement, and women's faces blanch with terror; but the homeless woman in the dock neither moves a muscle nor changes color in the least degree during the dreadful proclamation, "Silence while sentence of death and execution according to law is passed upon the prisoner at the bar." Has she anything to say? Yes, she has. She whispers to the female warder, who whispers to the jailer, who says aloud that the prisoner wishes to speak. Amid profound silence her voice is heard, clear, musical and steady, as if the awful moment was one of the most ordinary occasions of her life. She denied, "that I did, or tried upon the other charges that had been brought against her, in order that the jury and everyone should know the nature of her intimacy with Dr. BEARD, of the treatment she had received, and how she had been "brought into this dreadful position"—these were her words. When she ceased to speak, the learned Judge proceeded to pass sentence, unchaingly and feelingly enough. Baron MARTIN was much overcome with emotion, and as the dreadful words, "hanged by the neck till your body be dead," he broke down and hid his face, during a pause when a pin might have been heard to drop. Presently, he recovered his self-possession, and at the conclusion of the sentence the solemn "Amen" of the Newgate Chaplain sounded like a knell.

This occurred a scene but seldom witnessed and the tale of which may come often to be told again. In the mercy and justice of the English law a woman condemned to death who is ascertained is reprieved until after the birth of her child. It is usual, therefore, to interrogate the convict upon the point at the time of sentence, and before the date is fixed for execution. The question was put to Mrs. CHARLES of Arraigns in the usual way. The preacher arrais whispered to the female warder, who again whispered to the jailer, who said aloud, "She says she is my lord." There was a prolonged sensation among the bystanders at the unexpected announcement, which was not diminished when the words, "Let the Sheriff impanel a jury of matrons forthwith," were heard. Such is the law from ancient times, and in obedience to the injunction the under-Sheriffs, with swords, hooked hats and frills, rushed into the body of the Court, and galleries in quest of matrons. After about twenty minutes a dozen well-to-do and respectably-dressed women—who could have supposed that a dozen such were to be found in such a place?—were captured and directed to enter the jury-box, into which they marched and took their seats as if it was a matter of everyday occurrence. Mrs. ARMLAIN WRIGHTAW, the forewoman was sworn separately, and then the rest in a body. It was arranged that they should see the prisoner in the Sheriff's parlor. They retired and the prisoner was removed. Half an hour elapsed, when a messenger came into Court, and an inquiry was made stated by the Judge whether there was an accoucheur in Court. Presently a doctor was found, and directed to join the matrons. Half an hour more of suspense and eager interest. A messenger again comes in and whispers, and the rumor goes abroad that the doctor refused to establish a ruse. There is a touch of comedy even in the midst of the tragic scene, for they say that a policeman has been sent to fetch one, but has brought back a telescope instead. More delay, more suspense. Here they are at last. The prisoner again at the bar, the matrons again in the box. The verdict is spoken by the forewoman in a single word "Not."

The humanity of the rule of law which leaves this delicate matter to the decision of twelve women accidentally present in court during a murder trial—and a jury of matrons must be impaneled *de circumstantibus*—is, notwithstanding the undoubted antiquity of the custom, very questionable, and the result has on more than one occasion proved to be very fallible. The sort of women who case to be present at such and scenes are not presumably the most intelligent or best educated of the community, and the question which they have to investigate might in modern days of medical science be answered far more satisfactorily by a medical man. Besides, the question itself is somewhat difficult, even for medical men to answer; and one about which there has been much professional disputation in modern times.

FRANCE.

Financial Questions in the Assembly—M. Thiers in the Tribune—A Government Defeat.

Paris (Jan. 8) Correspondence of the London Daily News.

In the Assembly today M. THIERS spoke in answer to the speeches of several days past on the great financial question. He began by claiming attention on the ground of the excessive difficulty of his task. All the taxes proposed by Government to meet the terrible situation had been deprecated; individual members had suggested others which they thought better, and now there was perilous uncertainty and confusion. The equilibrium of the budget was the life of the budget. Resources must be found to pay what was owing to the enemy after a disastrous war. It was necessary to saddle the nation with the enormous annual payment of 650,000,000, an amount unprecedented in the history of nations. He did not shut his eyes to the difficulty of this task. It had been said, Why a sinking fund? And it had also been said that the war budget might be diminished. The possible economy on that head would be so insignificant and so dangerous that he would say nothing more about it. But in reply to those who thought it wonderful that he should ask for a sinking fund of 200,000,000 he would say that America had a sinking fund of 200,000,000. The 200,000,000 which he wanted would be the reserve of the bank, and would get rid of paper money. There was nothing fantastic in the budget. Every item was honest. The schemes of taxation proposed by himself and the Finance Minister after long and most anxious consideration were all honest, he accepted. It was not possible to augment direct taxation, which, both in peace and war, was heavier than any other. The tax on real property was already too heavy to be augmented. Already several articles of consumption had been surcharged. The tax on coffee had been increased from 120,000,000 to 75,000,000; and 41,000,000 extra had been put upon sugar. The new tax on paper was estimated at 65,000,000. But there were still wanting 250,000,000 which were necessary to save the country from ruin, and send the enemy away. To raise this money two courages were necessary—the courage of intellect and the courage of heart. After much research his Government had found that the only available resource was raw materials. He had never said "No" to any tax except the Income tax, but to that he would always say no, as he was not of being called the author of it. He had, nevertheless, examined the arguments of the Committee suggesting that resources might be found in the Income tax, and he had not found that anything would be got by it. He also repudiated the proposed tax on securities (*valeurs mobilières*), for the same reason that he objected to the Income tax, namely, that it was arbitrary. The special tax of three per cent. on raw materials, which the Committee was disposed to admit, would produce only 54,000,000, and was illusory. He insisted upon twenty per cent. He treated altogether contemptuously the theories of M. DESSAILLIGNY, whose speech, however, was attentively listened to by the House. The deliberate opinion of the Government was that there was no other possible resource to meet the crisis but a tax on raw materials. They would, however, leave it decent to make a Cabinet question of the matter. But he told the Chamber frankly that if this tax were refused he did not know what could be substituted for it. He appealed to the patriotism of the Assembly, and the prosperity of the Government was first its maintain the Bordeaux truce between parties, the breach of which would let loose incalculable calamity upon the country; and next, to prevent not only political but intellectual anarchy. It must not be said abroad that France was a nation of wranglers, incapable of doing anything serious. To avoid this censure, the Assembly must be courageous enough to rally to a just idea in spite of preconceived objections. M. THIERS, who spoke for nearly three hours, was interrupted and continually applauded by many friends when he descended from the tribune.

THE GOVERNMENT DEFEAT.

From the London Times, Jan. 20.

The French people and their representatives have given their present rulers a severe, but by no means unmerited, lesson. They have shown that there are limits to passive endurance. France has acted with almost unprecedented unanimity. M. THIERS proposes a tax of twenty per cent. on the raw materials used for textile manufactures, and, notwithstanding the open war between the rural population and that of the large cities on almost all political questions, town and country were both equally in arms against the obnoxious proposal. For the first time since last February, a power has manifested itself in France superior to that of the Sovereign Assembly, and even to that of the imperious statesman at the head of the Executive. Whatever might have been the disposition of the Chamber, at the opening of the debate, it soon became evident that it would be overpowered. But, even independently of the pressure of public opinion, symptoms of a mutinous spirit manifested themselves among the Deputies. M. THIERS had his own day on Friday last, and he had called for a division in the evening, when, as the close of his three hours' speech, he had, if not convinced, at least bewildered his audience, the result would have been a signal victory. But on Monday the whole aspect of the scene was changed; men came into the lists with knowledge and arguments, which, very, met M. THIERS with mere ill-temper; and the consequence was that when, after rising as many as four times to refute his opponents, he hoped to stifle them by calling for a close of the general discussion, his voice was drowned by the unanimous clamor of the Assembly, and he was forced to stand by, repeating a vote which everybody but himself clearly perceived must go dead against him. That first check ought to have been a sufficient warning for M. THIERS, but the discussion which he carried on throughout the week, far from sitting his recovery, had not even the effect of breaking his fall. Last evening the defeat of the Government was decisive. M. THIERS had been discreet enough to declare at the outset that he would not stake the existence of his Government upon the issue of the debate, though in subsequent interviews with some of the Deputies in the lobbies he again threatened to make the proposed tax on raw materials a "Cabinet question." It is not easy to see, however, how that expression can apply in this case. The possibility of a rupture between the Sovereign Assembly and the President of the Republic was never foreseen or provided against. Neither M. THIERS nor any other man is empowered to dissolve the Assembly, and the Assembly has declared the authority of M. THIERS coexistent as well as coextensive with its own. The strife is, therefore, between two bodies, one of which, in these Homeric contests, in which the gods of Olympus engage with little dread of the consequences, though they often have to retire badly bruised and roaring lustily. The hostile vote of the Assembly may, indeed, have determined the fall of the Cabinet or ministry of M. THIERS, but, in the present case, the obnoxious tax on which the disagreement arose was not so much the Minister's as the President's measure. It was far more M. THIERS than M. BOUVIER-QUIZERNE who fought for it day after day, and it would hardly be consistent with the position of Vice-President to screen himself behind the shield of any man's responsibility, and to make the servant bear the penalty of the master's offence. A more grievous offence against plain common sense has, indeed, seldom been perpetrated.

FOREIGN NOTES.

Baron de LAMBERT, while crossing the Boulevard Montmartre, was run over, recently, and killed by a laundress's cart. The deceased, aged seventy-two, an Orleanist, was the author of various political writings, and also distinguished as a numismatist.

The population of the little Kingdom of Greece, according to the last census for 1870, amounted to 1,457,894 inhabitants, of which 754,178 were males, and 703,716 females. Comparing the present returns with those of 1850, an increase is shown of 128,515 souls. Athens has a population of 44,510 souls.

The *Academy* states that AFZELIUS, the venerable collector of Swedish folk songs, died on the 26th of September last, at Sahlstjur, where he had been pastor for forty-nine years. His great work, *Svenska Folkets Sagoskatter*, was completed in 1870, the last part containing the history of CHARLES XII., since when no true popular legends have come into being.

The *Figaro* states that official statistics show that between Sept. 17, the date of the investment of Paris, and Jan. 22, the date of the commencement of communications, the number of deaths recorded in the capital was 64,501. The number of the killed in action with the enemy and deaths in the hospitals resulting from wounds was 13,000.

A petition for signature has been drawn up by the numerous friends of Rev. J. SELBY WATSON, praying the Home Secretary to respite the condemned. The grounds on which they urge that his life should be spared are his age and hitherto blameless life. Mr. WATSON, who was still in Newgate jail, maintained the same calm demeanor, which has characterized his conduct since the arrest.

The *British Medical Journal* hears that Prof. HUXLEY's health has given way under the strain of continuous exertion, and that he has been advised to absent himself for a time from all occupation as the best means of restoration. Mr. HUXLEY was to spend two months in the mild climate of Egypt, whither he has repaired; and there was every reason to hope that he will return restored to health and vigor.

A letter from St. Petersburg says: "After the important visits from Berlin, the Court here has had a Slavonic guest from the South—the President of the Montenegrin Senate, M. PETROVITS, a relation of Prince NICHOLAS of Montenegro." The object is stated to be, like that of M. PETROVITS' visit to Vienna, the securing of support for the new roads and other improvements which it is proposed to introduce in Montenegro.

The death is announced of Mr. LEWIS DOXAT, one of the oldest of London journalists. Seventy years ago he became connected with the Government of the day, and then with

TRAVELS IN JAPAN.

Additional Notes of Minister DeLong's Journey in the Interior.

Aino Women—What an Aino Town Looks Like—Fattening Bears for Food—Remarkable Scenes and Incidents—Interesting Notes by the Wayside.

From Our Own Correspondent.

YOKOHAMA, Japan, Friday, Dec. 29, 1871.

My last letter closed with a mention of our first meeting with one of the hairy aborigines of Japan. At this village we stopped for luncheon, and learning that there were some Aino women in the crowd assembled in the street, we went out to see them. We found them very shy and disposed to run away, but we came upon them so suddenly that they made a virtue of necessity and remained sitting. They were good sized, apparently well built and strong, and would have been very good-looking but for their tattooed lips. These they tattoo in the form of a mustache with ends turned up in artistic style, but, strangely enough, the lower lip is the one operated on, and the effect is to make them look very ugly. They wore red silk ear-rings, and the men appeared to be very proud of extravagant ornaments of a similar character.

AINO TOWN AND HABITATIONS.

During the afternoon of this day we arrived at an Aino town on our route. The houses or huts are built of straw, thatched on pole frames, and are without floors or mats, with a piece for a wood fire in the centre, the smoke being allowed to find its way out as best it may; consequently everything on the inside was smoked and unclean. Here we saw rudely-shaped fishing spears, snow-shoes, bows and arrows, skins of deers, bears and badgers; portions of fish nets; some beans, millet, sea-weed, &c. Adjoining each of the largest sized houses, we found a straw store-house, built on posts, its bottom several feet above the ground, evidently to keep its contents from contact with dampness, and to secure it against rats and foxes.

THE AINOS' PETS.

We found a number of bears in pole cages here, who made some alarming demonstrations at our approach. Through our interpreter we learned that the Ainos, upon finding a bear tree, observe it until the she bear has young, when they at once kill the old one and bring away the cubs, in some instances so very young that the women suckle them. They are then confined in cages and fattened, to be subsequently slaughtered when they have become so old and strong as to be dangerous. The fact that they mount the bears' skulls on poles in front of their houses, and go through some certain ceremonials when they slaughter these they raise, has led to the belief on the part of the Japanese that they worship the bear. I do not think that this is at all true, but I believe that this display is made out of pride, as an Indian would hang scalps on his wigwam, merely to prove his prowess.

SUPPOSED RELIGION OF THE AINOS.

Through the Governor at Saltsporo, we endeavored to gain some knowledge about the religion, habits and history of these people. He informed us that they worship the mysterious, that is, whatever they cannot understand in man or nature, and that those bear skulls, when bleached in the sun and weather, are used as mirrors. An Aino, feeling conscience-stricken on account of some wrong he has committed, observes himself in one of these skulls, and imagines he sees reflected there—first, his own likeness, then the wrong he has done, and, finally, the redress that he should make, and, governed by that vision, at once proceeds to make such redress. This information, however, must be received with great caution, for the Japanese do not respect or care enough about the Ainos to have ever exerted themselves to find out very much about their customs or opinions, and also because the Ainos dislike the Japanese so much that they probably mislead them on many matters.

AINO CHILDREN AND OLD MEN.

All the entire Aino Community, when they found they were allowed to do so, came out and observed us. Many of the men we found to be very hairy on such portions of their bodies as were exposed. The women were very wild and shy, all of them bearing the regulation tattoo. The children were bright-eyed, robust and pleasant, acknowledging the simplest gifts with full and beaming expressions of gratitude, as if it were indeed a wonderful thing for them to have presents bestowed. The children looked very intellectual and would compare very favorably with urchins of the same age anywhere in Europe or America. Many old men were here bowed with age, and with long, silvery beards sweeping their breasts. All received us kindly and courteously, accepting our little presents with great gusto, and seemingly desirous for us to tarry longer. It was also evident that they were delighted to see that we wore beards, and one of our number, who had a very full and very black beard, apparently became an object of their greatest regard.

A REMARKABLY HAIRY SPECIMEN.

All were dressed with skins or gowns so as to conceal nearly all of their persons, but during the day we obtained a full view for a long time of one old fellow in a boat who was almost naked, and he was indeed very hairy. His beard reached to his waist, straight and thick, and all over his person, even on his back, shoulders and thighs, the hair was seemingly as long, thick and black as that on a buffalo; but of course he was an exception to the rule.

CURIOUS FACTS.

We saw in different places about their villages little rows of sticks stuck in the ground shaved upward with the shavings left pendent. These we were informed were their places of worship. At Saltsporo the Governor, in discussion with us about these people, told us that they had no histories or even legends; that when one of their number died they rolled the body in a mat and buried it lying on its side, burned the residence of the deceased, and never afterward alluded in any way to that person, it being considered dangerous to the safety alike of the spirit of the deceased and to themselves to do so. He stated also that they had no ideas of time, not even knowing their own ages. That the number of Ainos on the Island of Yesso was about fifteen thousand; but this information is beyond doubt, wholly unauthentic, as the Japanese occupation of this island, until very recently, has been confined to a few ports on the extreme south coast, and even now, with the exception of Saltsporo and the line of the roads leading to it, it is limited to the shores of the island about half way up on each side from Hakodadi.

THE AINOS UNSUBDUED.

The great interior is yet the domain of the Aino, unsubdued, in all his original savageness. He there still roams, hunts, fishes, worships his whittled sticks, strokes his beard, plays with his pet bears, badgers and foxes, and tattooes his wife to his heart's content.

The Governor further informed us that murder is a crime unknown among these primitive people; that the greatest punishment that could be inflicted upon an Aino would be to cut off his beard; that the women are remarkably chaste, and adultery severely punished; that one man is allowed but one wife, and she is not subject to any undue amount of labor, and in her turn she submits in the old patriarchal style to the leadership, love and protection of her lord, with no apparent aspirations to grasp greater powers. From what I saw of these people I am convinced that they are susceptible of a high degree of moral culture; this is disposition they are tractable and kind; they were in not for their wild mode of life, living as they do on the results of the chase; they cannot be truly called savages. These people are very numerous, not only in Yesso but in Sagalalin and all of the adjacent islands.

THEIR SKILL AS HUNTERS.

We hunted with them as guides, and found them to be as bold riders as the Arab, as quick-sighted and dead-eyed as the American Indian, splendid shots with the gun and arrow, and perfectly trustworthy as companions. I visited a great number of their villages, in many of which there were but four Japanese, and in all cases they appeared to be well provided with food—fish, deer and bear meat—and I saw few instances of suffering from any malady or disease.

AN AINO RANCH.

On the west coast, during our homeward journey, the Governor, who had accompanied us for two days, managed to let us see an Aino dance. We seated ourselves in our tea-houses, the sliding doors on one side were all removed, and the Ainos, under a Japanese officer, assembled in a little yard adjacent, and were directed to dance and sing for our entertainment. The feast commenced by a generous distribution of saki (rice whisky) to them to warm them up to their work. They drank prodigious quantities of this before manifesting any excitement, but when it began to work they cut some eccentric capers in a wild style, singing songs that appeared to have been learned for a long time low down in their stomachs. Their dance consisted of stepping, bowing, clapping their hands together and then striking their thighs and breasts. Great stress, singe was translated to us, when it appeared to be a sour of thanks to the Japanese, from whom they had learned how to make saki, and were wonderfully indebted for such civilizing influences. During the singular performance they imitated birds and beasts quite well.

In drinking they were provided with peculiar-shaped sticks; these they laid first across the bowl, then raised the whole to their foreheads, bowing their obligations; then, taking the stick and delicately dipping one end of it in the liquor, they cast a little out to the ground, saying, "This is to the earth;" then a little more was thrown upward with the remark, "This is to the sky;" again another such a libation, saying, "This is to our rulers;" and then, lastly, "This is to ourselves." Then, using this same wand or stick to carefully part their mustaches, they drank with the stick placed carefully across the bowl, repeating the ceremony with every fresh draught. We felt conscience-stricken at having been instrumental in inflicting upon these poor wretches the duty of indulging in such a drunken orgie as this proved to be, and imagined, from the amount of liquor that they drank, that they would be "off duty" for a week; but early next morning, when we rode out of town, we found them all apparently in the best of spirits, waiting to see us properly off on our journey.

THE ZOOLOGICAL FORMATION OF YESSO.

On the line of the east coast I noticed in many places large deposits of iron sand on the beach, and picked up a few quarts pebbles which were considered strong indications of there being gold in the mountains. In places where the shore was not rocky, but still precipitous, another stratification of the earth was disclosed, in which I found sea-shells imbedded in the clay of the solid mountain one hundred or more feet below the surface, thus indicating its marine formation and upheaval.

On our fifth day out we reached a place called Sull's Carry, a solitary house by the sea, and at the foot of a very high and steep mountain that here ended in a precipitous cliff of great beauty overhanging the water. Here we were compelled to abandon the beach and climb over the mountain. On the way we saw tracks and other signs of bear very fresh. After arriving at our resting place for the night we learned that the bears at that point were destroying the horses of the people and committing great depredations.

TRAVELING IN A JUNK.

The next day's journey we made mainly in a junk, rowed for a long time by Ainos, until a fine breeze sprung up and relieved them. It was a curious scene to behold those wild, long-bearded fellows, (an exact picture of first-class theatrical pirates,) singing to their oars, and chanting a wild and not unmusical song.

That night we remained at a place called Ross, near the foot of another volcano called Ooea. This we at once ascended, having to tear our way with our Aino guides through a very dense growth of brush in a cotton-wood forest, until at last we reached the steep side of the mountain proper, and then ascended by a most toilsome march in *débris*, sinking at each step to our ankles until we reached the edge of the crater. We found it to be an immense opening, circular in form, as near as we could judge, and about a mile in diameter. Within this circle were two rugged peaks that appeared to have withstood time and the fury of the flames, and to still be the theatre of the continued conflagration. They were even then emitting smoke and steam in huge volumes. These peaks we could not, of course, reach or ascend. Beyond, and in plain view, was an immense lake also called Ooea, and within this was a most beautiful and symmetrical island in the form of a sugar-loaf. From our stand-point on the mountain our view was sublime, as the day was fine and the atmosphere very clear. Volcano Bay stretching away on the one hand, with its surf beating loudly at the base of the mountain on which we stood, whilst inland, Yesso, with its rugged face of high mountain and dark defile, seemed sleeping under its deep forests.

A BUDDHIST TEMPLE.

Descending again to the village, we called at a Buddhist temple, the first I had met since leaving Hakodadi. It was beautifully situated in a deep grove, and was very large and inviting. Here, for the first and only time since our arrival in Japan, we beheld the Tycoon's crest hung out. I had not supposed such an exhibition to be at all allowable. We expressed a desire to enter, and were at once shown in and invited to a seat on the matted floor in front of the altar, where we were surrounded by a bevy of shaven priests, who came to greet us dressed in full canonicals. The main and side altars were gorgeously arrayed with golden lotus leaves, candelebras in bronze and gold, censor vases, and images of gods and minor deities.

Minister DE LONG having placed a little money before one of the gods, the hearts of the priests were unlocked, so they lighted up the altar and temple in a blaze of light, ordered tea and candies, and told us the history of the temple and the volcano. Finally, they unroched for our barbarian eyes a veiled image, evidently to be looked upon only by the most sedly. We well understood, by the immediate prostration of our guard and officers, that they had disclosed their most sacred idol, and we felt the compliment accordingly.

All of these gods had little plates of rice, potatoes, fish, &c., sitting before them, and to our horror we observed our dog quietly robbing one of the most prudish-looking of them all of his rations. Before we could interfere and apologize, one of the priests approached the dog, took another plate of food from another god, called Zero to him, and offered him the food of his dinner.

From this priest we learned that the temple was built sixty-eight years ago and that the volcano underneath it terrible eruption about fifty years ago, destroying a great deal of the surrounding country and causing many deaths. Since that time every seven or eight years it has been subject to slight eruptions, and is constantly burning. That night the priest sent Minister DE LONG a bottle of brown sugar; Mr. DE LONG returned the compliment with a bottle of brandy and a can of peaches, not knowing what else to send. We shall always wonder what they thought of such a gift.

Street Paving.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

There is one way of imposing upon taxpayers that under the old law of assessment has become common, and which has not received the attention it should. To illustrate what is meant, the writer will quote a case in point, which is but one of hundreds, though not always referring to the same form of taxation. In the statutes regulating the paving of City streets, it is held that a street once paved by contract and taxed upon property, cannot be again taxed upon the same property for a second and different pavement within a certain limit of time; but, disregarding this law and the protests of owners, pavements have been removed and new ones laid down. This has just been done on the Fifth-avenue above Fifty-ninth-street, owners being assessed, with a full knowledge of the illegality of the proceeding, the assessment, of course, becoming a lien upon the property until vacated or paid off. Shortly appears the representative of some well-known firm of attorneys, who can, for the trifling consideration of twenty-five per cent, of the sum assessed, have the assessments removed; and also skin the frightened real estate owners, not knowing where the "little joker" is, consents to. This is repeated, again and again, and, under the management of the authorities has become a regular system of robbery and extortion. R.

ITALY.

Tidings from Rome—Politics in Article Life—A Word for Artists—American Painters and Sculptors—Mr. Tilton's Achievements.

From Our Own Correspondent.

ROME, Tuesday, Jan. 2, 1872.

It is a subject of conjecture what effect political changes are to have upon the artist life of Rome. Beside the Italian artists several hundred painters and sculptors from foreign countries have found this the most convenient place for practicing their art. There is inspiration in the atmosphere, and so many artists together create sympathies for each other, and form their own moral and social tone. In the point of view of profit, for the sculptors particularly, great advantages are found. Here, material to facilitate processes, is everywhere at hand, and the marble of which the statue is made, is in the home market. The models, whether in the living flesh, or in the more perfect ideals of the galleries, may be studied without going far, and at the smallest cost; and the best-trained workmen are ready to undertake the slow and weary-some labor of execution. The sculptor who has a commission, may reckon his large profits at leisure. Considerable alarm has lately been felt because an export tax upon the works of foreign artists resident here has once more been talked about. As high as thirty per cent has been named; and if such an impost should be put on, if it should not lead to the ruin of the interests of the foreign artists, it will, at least, have for result to make Rome and Florence no longer the paradise for artists which they so long have been. Many painters and sculptors would be obliged to leave Italy altogether.

A WORD FOR ARTISTS.

It is our duty to give praise and sympathy to those who are creating the beauty which nourishes our souls. While we would not look upon artists with a sentimental regard, or exalt them unduly, we must always recognize art as an educator of the higher life. We do not forget that most painters and sculptors are following a profession, and seeking as eagerly to make their art a source of enrichment, as any others who happen to be the possessors of superior skill. Unfortunately we have but too many proofs that works of art of no merit worthy to be recognized are thrust upon the market like the commonest merchandise, rendering less service than many articles of the most vulgar utility.

LARGE DISCOVERY OF PAINTINGS.

It has lately come to the knowledge of the public that there are stored in the garrets of the vast Palazzo Vecchio in Florence more than six thousand pictures. They were accumulated, for the most part, in the time of the MEDICI, or during two centuries of that absolute rule. The number is sufficient to cover the walls of half the galleries of the world. As to the quality, we have yet no trustworthy account. Some agent who has at his command a portion of the revenue of an American city of State might, after making inquiries, find it worth while to come out here and obtain permission to sift what good grain he can from this great store-house of chaff. So far as we can learn, it was the habit of the artists in the time of the MEDICI, who were liberal patrons of the arts, to offer to them for purchase, everything worthy of the slightest notice that was produced. Those Princes kept agents authorized to examine and pronounce upon the quality of whatever was offered, and to hand over to the artists such sums in ready money as at the time they might need. Hence, probably, the origin of the term "patronizing" artists. It may be well that the practice is pretty well done away with in our day, for most buyers of pictures and statues wish to get their money's worth, and although often little taste or knowledge is shown, we are at least saved from the accumulation of the rubbish of an indiscriminate and charitable "patronage."

AMERICAN ARTISTS.

So far as American art in Rome is concerned, I find by the posted up list that the number of painters and sculptors resident here is between thirty and forty—or about the same as during the past fifteen years. The oldest of them date their Roman exile—of sweet memories—as far back as five-and-twenty or thirty years. It is not unkind to indulge the suspicion that they no longer have any desire to go home. With the national banner in their houses, and often flung from their windows on days of Italian fests, they carry America with them; and with a daily knowledge of passing events Rome has become but a suburb of one of the transatlantic cities, and is joined to them by growing interests. Among the artists in Rome in whose works a constant improvement is noticeable, Mr. TILTON deserves conspicuous mention. Pains-taking thought, aspiration after an elevated ideal, and the devotion which does not shrink from any labor necessary to reach a desired result, are the qualities which give us assurance of a true artist. Neither the painter, nor any one who loves art with genuine feeling, can easily grow tired of the scenes of natural beauty, of which Italy, and particularly the Roman campagna, furnish such an inexhaustible variety. These scenes have been painted so often that to many their freshness is nearly worn out, and only an artist of uncommon ability has the power to keep alive that poetic charm, which the eye, not less than the imagination, craves. Mr. TILTON has done nearly all that power of color inspired by a poetic fancy can accomplish. A little while ago both the artist and his friends thought that the subtle influences of the landscape, and sky, and atmosphere of Italy had exhausted their power of quickening, and carrying forward a further development. The genial glow of the sun, and sky, and golden atmosphere of the East, had been dreamt of, and a year ago the time came for turning into objective experiences the delicious, subjective unrealities of the long-drawn dream. Mr. TILTON brought back with him from the Nile so great a number of sketches that they must furnish the store from which he can draw for many years. A new world has been opened, and a new revelation of beauty, to stimulate the artist to labor with higher hope and enjoyment. The promise of the future we find in the freshness and vigor of the Egyptian sketches in water color; for only two pictures in oil have as yet been begun. These have been commissioned by Mr. CARTER BROWN and Mr. ROBERT GODDARD, both of Providence. The subjects selected are the great ruins of Comombo and Dendera, among the most imposing on the Nile. As the scene is quickened into vitality by the hand of the painter, the life of the East, rises before us, and the mind is carried back through the vast periods of thousands of years of a pre-historic past. Egypt can never furnish the scenes of nature and life in the picturesque variety and beauty which the artist has found in Italy. Nor is there, in the history or life of the East, so much that appeals to the artist's sympathies. But with modern means of movement the painter has the whole world for his field, and from the heart of the Andes to the interior of Asia and the sources of the Nile, the transition is but a step. When the awful heights of the Himalayas have been painted, there will remain those regions of inexpressible grandeur and desolation, the half-explored world of Arctic ice. The semi-Oriental characteristics of Venice have given Mr. TILTON the materials for some of his best pictures. The theme is old, but it has inspired many an art-epic of exquisite beauty. The color of Venice carries us—but not with an abrupt transition—from Italy to the East. The Asiatic traffic brought back wealth of decorative forms, as well as treasures of commercial gain; and the stains of four or five centuries have added the tints which give the last grace to the model from which the painter creates or marks out his perfected ideal. The artist must grow, or sink into the monotony of a tiresome repetition of himself. A result of Mr. TILTON's visit to the East is greater clearness of insight and breadth of feeling, for these are already perceived in his works. Only by love and devotion are the magic secrets of which nature has such an inexhaustible store, found out, and their charm felt.

With us landscape art seems to be steadily rising to a more and more respectable position. A great nation, with no genius capable of putting an end to a visible representation of any of the phases of its life, or its story, or, in other words, preaching the history, figure and pleading in its behalf, instead, is contending itself for the great art with representing the scenes of nature—which is the background of history, or the theatre upon which history is acted—and representing them so well as to win general praise.

ANGELICO.

CUBA.

Conchas vs. Valmaseda—Lively Lobbying Across the Atlantic by Cable—Absurd Reports About Cuban Leaders—Grave of the Spanish Army—A Near-Year-Old Volunteer, but a Prince—Miscellaneous.

From Our Own Correspondent.

HAVANA, Saturday, Jan. 20, 1872.

The Conchas party, which was so sanguine of success, and had already "sold the bear's skin" in anticipation in making out the political shade and the offices to be filled by its partisans, has met with a disastrous and unexpected defeat at the last moment. The partisans of VALMASEDA were too strong and too numerous, and employed the weapon so freely used by the Conchas, a liberal disbursement of money in Spain, with signal advantage. Telegram followed telegram to Madrid, directed to the President of the Ministry, to ARMADEO LOPEZ DE AYALA, Ex-Minister of the Colonies and to about a dozen different journals in Madrid. Prominent Conchistas also forwarded cypher telegrams advising their partisans in Spain to desist from pushing their candidate, as the majority of the people were in favor of VALMASEDA, and that a conflict between the two parties was imminent. The Volunteer Colonels were in a majority for VALMASEDA, the Conchistas consisting of Col. JULIAN ZULUETA, of the Second; Col. RAMON HERRERA, of the Fifth; Col. MIGUEL A. HERRERA, of the Third, and Col. MARTINEZ RIOO, of the Seventh Battalion; those of the First, Fourth and Sixth Infantry, First and Second Riflemen, First and Second Artillery, First and Second Cavalry, the Engineers, and Hussars, and those from Regla, Guanabacoa, Casa Blanca and Marianas being Valmasedistas, or fourteen against four. On Monday the telegrams came assuring the Valmasedistas that their man would remain, and they set to work immediately organizing a grand serenade, which was given the same evening, and at which even the Conchista Colonels assisted. On the following morning VALMASEDA left by way of Batabano for the south coast of the Island, and is now taking all available forces from the Cinco Villas to operate in the Central and Eastern Departments. On Thursday the third of the four regular battalions of Riflemen from Spain arrived here and were received by the volunteers, who gave the officers and men a dinner and presented them with cigars. These new arrivals leave for the Central Department tomorrow, and the report that some of them would remain here to do garrison duty is therefore exploded.

MOVEMENTS OF CUBAN LEADERS.

The week has been productive of curious reports regarding prominent Cubans. The story of CESPEDES having arrived at Jamaica is true, but the Jamaica in question is not the Island of Jamaica, but the township of Jamaica, near Guantanamo, about fifty miles from Santiago de Cuba. The story of the flight of MACEO, who was reported to have accompanied CESPEDES, is also untrue, as this gentleman, in the disguise of a Roman Catholic priest, was in the town of Santiago de Cuba, conferring with secret agents of the Spanish and prominent partisans of the Cuban Government, only seventeen days ago. The flight of PIO ROSADO, a brother of CESPEDES, and of ENRIQUE COLLAZO, to Jamaica, is announced in a telegram from Kingston noticing their arrival. PIO ROSADO is the Ex-Santiago de Cuba schoolmaster, who, in a full Cuban General's uniform, entered that city with sword, hat and an enormous cockade, and presented himself before the Spanish General, GARCIA MUNOS, in command there, and protested against the barbarous manner in which the war was carried on by the Spaniards. Gen. GARCIA made him take his cockade off his hat, and the volunteers were preparing to kill him, but the General had received him as an envoy, and had ROSADO accompanied outside of the lines by two of his Adjudants. This was considered at the time one of the most daring and foolhardy missions undertaken by a Cuban, although it was known that once within the Spanish lines they would respect him.

GRAVE OF THE SPANISH ARMY.

Since the outbreak of the revolution, in October, 1868, Spain has sent 110,000 men to Cuba. About two-thirds of this number have died. War matters are at a stand still; a few surrenders and an occasional skirmish. That famous individual, GONZALES BONY, has given signs of life by blowing his own horn through the papers. The Cuban Col. RAMON HERNANDEZ was killed near Guatimaro.

THE BONES OF COLUMBUS.

The new cemetery projected for over fifteen years, and where people are buried already, but which has neither wall, nor fence, nor decent road leading to it, will be called the Cristobal Colon (Christopher Columbus) Cemetery, and the ashes of that gentleman, now in the Havana Cathedral, are to transferred to the cemetery bearing his name, and placed under a superb monument. It will be many years before this plan will be realized, and the Havana Bishop, who gives all orders and makes all changes in his bishopric, taking also good care to collect his revenue, while residing abroad, will not hurry up this work, because he cannot make any profit by it.

A ROYAL VOLUNTEER.

The volunteers of this city, especially the Fourth Company of the Second Battalion, have just received a strong reinforcement in the person of his Serene Highness the Prince of Asturias, Mr. MANUEL FILIBERTO DE SAVOY, son of AMADEUS, and about four years of age, who was proposed and elected as a distinguished member of that company. This new volunteer is all right, and he may enter the Havana University with less risk than other young men, as his connection with the volunteers may save him from being shot or sent to the Penitentiary.

DOUBLE ASSASSINATION.

Mr. ANTONIO M. RUIZ, the Mayor of Remedios, and his colored servant boy, thirteen years of age, were assassinated on the 11th by persons unknown. Mr. RUIZ was first strangled with a rope and the head then cut off with a knife. The mulatto boy was killed with a knife. Opinions differ as to the cause of the murder, some asserting that it was done for robbery, while others say politics were at the bottom of the affair. The former is the more likely, as Mr. RUIZ was a very wealthy man, and always had large sums of money with him, none of which was found.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The Havana City Council is ready to receive propositions offering to loan the city $2,000,000, with which to pay the present stockholders of the gas company and run the gas-works hereafter for account of the city. So far nobody has made any offer.....Not a single Havana journal knew who JAMES FISK, Jr., was. The Voz, in mentioning his death, says: "He was probably one of those persons who lately figured in the scandalous abuses of the municipality of the State of New-York," and calls him also a certain Mr. Fisk. Such is fame.

CARDENAS.

Capt. TIRRETS, of the American brig Torrent, arrived on the 16th, and reports having seen a brig ashore on the 10th instant on the north-east point of Abaco. The Captain was not close enough to ascertain the name of the wrecked vessel. The Custom-house authorities here have retained in their possession several cases of medicine consigned to Mr. CAHILL, an American druggist, the only one established in the island. The different officials and proprietors of opposition establishments have used the Government inspector to act against the poor druggist, whose only fault seems to be that he is an American, and fails to offer the customary bribe. As our Consuls are of as little use, Mr. CAHILL will have to wait until the higher authorities take the case in hand and do him justice. Mr. ARGELO D. VARONA, the cashier of Mr. HENRY THRAY, an American merchant of this city, has absconded with $10,000 of his employer's money. It is supposed that he has gone to New-York. QUASIMODO.

BANKRUPT NOTICES.

THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE—THAT ON the 23d day of January, A. D. 1872, a warrant in bankruptcy was issued against the estate of ANGEL MONDOLFO, of the City and County of New-York, in the County of New-York and State of New-York, who has been adjudged a bankrupt on his own petition; that the creditors of said bankrupt, who have proved their debts and to whom notice is hereby given to attend the meeting hereinafter mentioned, are to assent to or dissent from the choice of assignee of the said bankrupt's estate; that the creditors of said bankrupt will be held at No. 4 Warren-street, in the City of New-York, in said district, before Hiram T. Williams, Register, on the 12th day of February, 1872, at 1 o'clock P. M.

GEORGE H. SHARPE,
United States Marshal, as Messenger, Southern District of New-York.

THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE—THAT ON the 23d day of January, A. D. 1872, a warrant in bankruptcy was issued against the estate of WILLIAM J. ROBERTS, of the City and County of New-York and State of New-York, who has filed a petition to be adjudged a bankrupt on his own petition; that the payment of any debts and delivery of any property belonging to such bankrupt, to him or for his use, and the transfer of any property by him, are forbidden by law; that a meeting of the creditors of the said bankrupt, to prove their debts and to choose one assignee of his estate, will be held at the Court of Bankruptcy, to be holden at No. 4 Warren-street, in the City of New-York, in said district, before Hiram T. Williams, Register, on the 12th day of February, 1872, at 1 o'clock P. M.

GEORGE H. SHARPE,
United States Marshal, as Messenger, Southern District of New-York.

IN BANKRUPTCY—IN THE DISTRICT Court of the United States for the Southern District of New-York.—In the matter of LEWIS GLASHER and MAX GLASHER, bankrupts.—Notice is hereby given that a petition has been filed in said District, by Lewis Glasher and Max Glasher, in said district, duly declared bankrupts under the act of Congress of March 1, 1867, for a discharge, and certificate thereof from all their debts, and other claims provable under said act, and that the 26th day of February, 1872, at 12 o'clock A. M., at the office of Mr. Henry Wilder Allen, Register in Bankruptcy, No. 128 Broadway, in the City of New-York, is assigned for the hearing of the same, when and where all creditors who have proved their debts, and other persons in interest may attend, and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of the said petitioner should not be granted.—Dated New-York, on the 30th day of January, 1872.

H. HOWARD, GEO. F. BETTS, Clerk.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE United States, in and for the District of New-York.—In the matter of separate estate, JAMES D. SPARKMAN, bankrupt.—In bankruptcy.—This is to give notice, that the second general meeting of the separate creditors of said bankrupt will be held at No. 44 Wall-street, in the City of New-York, on the 12th day of February, 1872, at 11 o'clock M., before John Fitch, Esq., Register, pursuant to an order made by said Register, on the petition of said bankrupt, on the twenty-seventh section of the Bankrupt act of March 2, 1867.—Dated, New-York, Jan. 27, 1872.

JOHN SEDGWICK, Assignee, &c.,
No. 187 Broadway, New-York City.

NO. 3,936.—IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF the United States for the Southern District of New-York.—In the matter of WALTER S. DERBY, bankrupt.—In Bankruptcy.—Before Mr. Henry WILLIAMS, Register in the Southern District of New-York, ss.—At the City of New-York, the 19th day of January, A. D. 1872.—To whom it may concern: The assignee hereinafter given notice of his appointment as Assignee of the estate of Walter S. Derby, of New-York, in the County of New-York and State of New-York, within said district, who has been adjudged a bankrupt upon the petition of his creditors by the District Court of said district.

FRED. DODSWORTH, Assignee.
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LEGAL NOTICES.

SUPREME COURT.—WILLIAM A. HIGELOW, plaintiff, against PETER V. WINTERS and Mary E., his wife, William T. Hunt and Sarah F., his wife, Edward DeCamp, and Margaretta Jane, his wife, Leander Stone, John Van Orden, Job Throckmorton, Fanny E. Lichtenstein and—Lichtenstein, her husband, Erastus Brainard, Henry G. Nichols, Hollis L. Bowers, The Union Manufacturing Company, Henry McCormick, Thomas S. Tice, Albert H. Keeney, Receiver; David Robinson and Moritz Tanzer, The Manufacturers' and Builders' Bank, The First National Bank of Rutland, Vermont, John J. Drake and Charles Drake, Albert G. Waterman, John Whitely, The National Shoe and Leather Bank, Frederick S. Benson, David S. Schanck, R. Dobbs Schanck, Theodore W. Morris and John C. Schanck, George Monroe and George Thorogood, Emanuel H. Schwartz and Jacob Pulvermacher, Thomas McGuigan, Lavinia Arnold, administratrix, &c., of Wilcomb Arnold, deceased, Alfred R. Arnold, Eli Martin, Julius A. Cuadice and George C. Hagaman, Peter Jackson and John H. Steinmetz, Davis Collamore and O. H. P. Archer, Receiver, defendants.—To the defendants named and each of them: You are hereby summoned to answer the complaint in this action, which is filed in the office of the Clerk of the County of Kings, at Brooklyn, in said County, and to serve a copy of your answer to the said complaint, on the subscribers at their office, No. 271 Broadway, in the City of New-York, within twenty days after the service of this summons on you, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the said complaint within the time aforesaid, the plaintiff in this action will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the complaint.—Dated, January 17, 1872.

EDMONDS & FIELD, Plaintiff's Attorneys.

The complaint in this action was duly filed in the Clerk's Office of the above Court, on the 10th day of January, 1872.

EDMONDS & FIELDS,
Plaintiff's Attorneys.
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NEW-YORK SUPREME COURT. County of New-York.—EDWARD R. MITCHELL and GEORGE G. BYRON, surviving executors of the last will of WILLIAM MYRES, deceased, plaintiffs, against Benjamin F. Camp and Mary Ann, his wife, Frederick Butterfield, William Smith, James Wheeler, John Falconer, John R. Dickinson; Peter T. Sharp, executor, and Max Glasser, executor of the will of Dominucus S. Voorhees, deceased; Maria T. Myres, executrix, &c.; of Austin Myres, deceased, and in her own right; Benjamin F. Tucker, Ann Eliza Parker, Louis Hirsch, Jacob Lauer and Drovers' National Bank of Somers, Westchester County, N. Y.; John W. Ritch, William P. Woodcock, Horace Greeley, Ferdinand C. Kempton, and Floyd Brown, defendants.—Amended summons.—Notice of Sale.—(Cons. had served.) To the defendants: You are hereby summoned and required to answer the complaint in this action, which will be filed in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New-York, at the County Court-house in said City, and to serve a copy of your answer to the said complaint on the subscriber, at his office, No. 42 Wall-st., in the City of New-York, within twenty days after the service of this summons on you, exclusive of the day of such service, and if you fail to answer the said complaint within the time aforesaid, the plaintiff in this action will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the complaint.—Dated Oct. 2, 1871.

J. P. MITCHELL, Plaintiff's Attorney,
No. 42 Wall-st.

The complaint in this action was filed in the office of the Clerk of the County of New-York on the 21st day of November, 1871.

J. P. MITCHELL, Plaintiff's Attorney,
No. 42 Wall-st.
NEW-YORK, Jan. 25, 1872. ja27-law4w*

PURSUANT TO A DECREE OF THE High Court of Chancery made in a cause, HUNTER against PATTISON and others, on the 24th day of the creditors of JOHN WILSON HAWKSWORTH, late of Sheffield, in the County of York, merchant, who died in or about the 24 day of October, 1869, are on or before the 15th day of March, 1872, to send by post, prepaid, to Mr. Greaves Walker, of No. 11 Beaufort Buildings, Strand, in the County of Middlesex, the solicitor of Thomas Buxton Hawksworth, the executor of the said deceased, their Christian and surnames, addresses and descriptions, the full particulars of their claims, a statement of their accounts and the nature of the security (if any) held by them; or in default thereof they will be peremptorily excluded from the benefit of the said decree. Every creditor holding any security is to produce the same before the Vice-Chancellor, Sir Richard Malins, at his Chambers, situate No. 3 Stone Buildings, Lincoln's Inn, on TUESDAY, the 16th day of April, 1872, at 12 o'clock at noon, being the time appointed for adjudicating on the claims.—Dated this 14th day of January, 1872.

H. PRITCHARD, Chief Clerk.
SINGLETON & TATTERSHALL, No. 5 Great James-st., W. C., Agents for Herbert Brumby, Sheffield, England, Plaintiff's Solicitor.

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR the City and County of New-York.—THOMAS BULLMAN, Plaintiff, against JOSEPHINE A. DRAKE, Louisa P. Bates, William H. Bates, Nelson C. Trowbridge, James Hale, Trustee of Evelina F. Trowbridge, and John W. Crump, Defendants.—Summons for Relief. (Cons. not Serv.)—To the defendants above named: You are hereby summoned, and required to answer the complaints in this action, which was filed in the office of the Clerk of the County of Common Pleas, at the City Hall, in the City of New-York, on the 11th day of December, 1871, and to serve a copy of your answer to the said complaint, on the subscribers at their office, No. 20 Pine-street, New-York, within twenty days after the service of this summons on you, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the said complaint within the time aforesaid, the plaintiff in this action will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the complaint.

NICOLL, THURSTON & ANNAN,
Plaintiff's Attorneys.

RAILROADS.

NEW-YORK CENTRAL & HUDSON RIVER RAILROAD.

Commencing on Monday, Nov. 13, 1871, Through Trains will leave from New Depot, 4th-av. and 42d-st.
8.00 A. M., Chicago and Montreal Express, with drawing-room cars through to Rochester and St. Albans.
10.30 A. M., Special Chicago Express, with drawing-room cars to Buffalo and Niagara Falls.
10.45 A. M., Albany and Troy Express.
3.45 P. M., Special Troy Express, on Saturdays.
4.00 P. M., Montreal Express, with sleeping cars from New-York to St. Albans.
4.30 P. M., Albany Express, stopping-cars for Watervliet, Cohoes and Cossackie.
8.00 P. M., Pacific Express, with sleeping-cars for Rochester, Buffalo and Niagara Falls; also, for Chicago, via Detroit, St. Louis and Toledo; and for St. Louis via Toledo, leaves on Sundays at 6 P. M.
11.00 P. M., Express, with sleeping-cars for Troy and Albany.

All local trains running north of Yonkers, leave from new depot. Yonkers Special Trains from 30th-st., west side, as heretofore.

C. H. KENDRICK, General Passenger Agent.

LONG ISLAND RAILROAD.

On and after MONDAY, Oct. 23, 1871, trains will leave Jamaica as follows:
8.30 A. M. Greenport mail train.
10.40 A. M. Roslyn, Glen Cove, Locust Valley, Hunts-point, Northport and Greenport.
3.00 P. M. Riverhead and Sag Harbor Express. (Through to Greenport on Saturdays.)
4.00 P. M. Hempstead, Farmingdale, Glen Cove, Locust Valley, Huntington and Northport.
8.40 P. M. Northport way-train.

All trains connect at Branch for Hempstead.
Sunday—Mail train for Greenport, Northport, Roslyn, Glen Cove and Locust Valley leave Hunter's Point at 8.40 A. M. and 4 P. M.

STEAMBOATS.

TO BRIDGEPORT AND ALL POINTS on Housatonic and Naugatuck Railroad.—Pier 21, Sunapee leave Catharine-slip at 10 noon, Sundays excepted.

FOR NEW-HAVEN, HARTFORD, &c.—Steamer Connecticut leaves New-Haven at 3:15. Trains North and East at 11 P. M.

SHIPPING.

FOR LIVERPOOL,
(VIA QUEENSTOWN,)
CARRYING THE UNITED STATES MAILS.

THE LIVERPOOL AND GREAT WESTERN STEAM COMPANY will dispatch one of their first-class full-power screw steamships from PIER NO. 4, NORTH RIVER, EVERY WEDNESDAY, as follows:

THE NEW DEPARTURES.		
FROM GLASG